Rochester Pres.																											
Almonte.	.....	.....	4	2	....	3	56	3	73	.....	160	12	29	20	7	76	4	20	11	7	9	5	6	500	219	1,085
Lisbon	.....	.....	2	2	1	11	48	1	35	20	32	7	22	5	6	53	3	3	79	7	11	4	5	531†	190	958
Lochlei	Charles Clyde	Brodie, Ontario.	3	2	....	....	32	1	24	.....	20	10	19	12	100	3	3	10	6	7	8	3	3	400*	179	783
Sterling	.....	.....	2	3	....	5	32	....	32	.....	65	18	36	15	8	8	5	26	35	10	7	7	5	700	162	1,107
Syracuse	G. M. Robb	204 Lafayette av., Syracuse, N.Y.	4	4	6	6	67	4	96	45	109	10	28	16	13	15	4	11	9	2	14	7	2	536	340	1,116
York	J. B. Gilmore	York, N. Y.	4		3	4	106	2	60	20	84	18	54	21	15	9	4	10	9	14	11	9	7	800†	389	1,454
.....	Wm. McFarland	1505 Midland Av., Syracuse, N.Y.									.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	J. M. Faris	Sterling, N. Y.									.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. of Cong's, 6	No. Ministers, 5	Totals	19	13	10	29	341	11	320	85	470	75	188	89	149	164	23	80	149	47	60	35	28	3,467	1,479	6,503
Vermont Pres.																											
Barnet	D. C. Faris	West Barnet, Vermont	4	3	6	1	53	....	90	....	63	17	23	10	57	10	5	13	9	13	7	5	7	484	107	820
Craftsbury	J. C. Taylor	East Craftsbury, Vermont	4	1	..	2	58	3	100	50	92	10	60	29	42	6	5	2	2	10	7	6	5	475	159	907
Ryegate	.....	Duncan Ritchie, Bottonville, Vt	3	1	....	2	23	....	.....	.....	43	9	13	8	7	3	18	6	2	7	5	....	.....	.....	96	217
No. of Cong's. 3	No. Ministers, 2	Totals	11	5	6	5	134	3	190	50	198	36	96	47	106	19	28	21	13	30	17	10	12	949	362	1,944

* And Manse. † Including Manse.

SUMMARY.

Presbyteries.	Congregations.	Ministers.	Elders.	Deacons.	Increase in Membership.	Decaetse in Membership.	Communicants.	Baptisms.	Sabbath School Attendance.	Young People's Society Attendance.	CONTRIBUTIONS. Syrian Mission.	Chinese Mission.	Home Mission.	Southern Mission.	Indian Mission.	Jewish Mission.	Theological Seminary.	Sustentation.	Church Erection.	National Reform.	Testimony Bearing.	Aged Ministers' Fund.	Widows' and Orphans' Fund.	Salary Paid by Congregation.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
N.Brunswick & N.Scotia	3	2	7	11	13	11	145	8	91	12	155	25	38	10	12	14	4	8	6	1	6	6	6	1,200	384	1,875
Iowa	9	6	33	28	36	51	824	29	794	162	1,454	264	685	387	268	129	51	102	153	199	88	65	57	4.461	4,158	12,521
Lakes	8	6	33	27	33	53	595	13	631	164	603	127	320	112	81	53	40	88	1,521	67	56	32	35	4.544	1,485	9,164
Kansas	16	21	75	58	119	94	1,451	47	1,652	450	1,164	415	711	343	291	122	73	168	519	166	129	63	66	6,975	3,997	15,202
Pittsburg	27	39	92	59	117	116	2,169	58	2,799	453	3,254	733	1,944	627	1,434	222	133	405	3,009	651	444	124	176	15,972	9,296	38,754
Ohio	7	5	21	11	14	18	325	4	267	72	358	78	136	125	109	34	18	59	322	55	36	19	16	2,343	747	4,455
Colorado	4	5	15	15	27	17	245	9	409	105	247	73	165	41	29	9	13	36	159	42	22	6	9	1,558	1,802	4,211
Vermont	3	2	11	5	6	5	134	3	190	50	198	36	96	47	106	19	28	21	13	30	17	10	12	949	362	1,944
Philadelphia	4	8	20	12	19	44	635	16	449	166	1,441	316	391	197	173	115	44	50	226	188	41	27	24	5,750	5.138	14,121
Rochester	6	5	19	13	10	29	341	11	320	85	470	75	188	89	149	164	23	80	149	47	60	35	28	3,467	1,479	6,503
New York	15	16	61	61	73	88	1,769	41	1,301	278	7.040	449	1,872	424	151	465	131	1,872	3,385	2,168	189	126	44	14,689	14,904	47,909
Syrian Commission	22	.....	.....	43	27	327	.....	.....	633	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	254	254
Illinois	9	9	45	37	43	51	842	20	913	172	604	122	253	147	121	87	33	61	692	97	62	32	34	4,575	902	7,822
Totals	113	124	432	337	553	604	9,802	259	10.449	2,169	16.988	2,713	6,799	2,549	2,924	1,433	591	2,950	10.154	3 711	1,150	545	507	66.483	45,238	164,735

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SESSION LXXII.

PITTSBURG, PA., May 29, 1901.

The Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America met, pursuant to adjournment, in the Eighth Street church, at two o'clock in the afternoon, and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator, F. M. Foster.

The roll was called; and having been made up, it is as follows:

Roll.

Congregations.	*Ministers.*	*Elders.*
	COLORADO PRESBYTERY.	
Denver.	T. H. Acheson.	
Evans.	J. Milligan Wylie.	
La Junta.	J. K. Robb.†	J. C. Dodds.
Seattle.	P. J. McDonald.*	
	James Patton.	
	J. R. W. Stevenson.	
	J. T. Wilson.‡	

* Not present at the constitution of the Court. † Ordained since last Meeting.
‡ Received on Certificate.

Congregations.	*Ministers.*	*Elders.*
	ILLINOIS PRESBYTERY.	
Bethel.	D. S. Faris.	John E. Willson.
Bloomington.	R. M. Blackwood.	S. S. Smith.
Church Hill.	E. G. Elsey.*	
Oakdale.	J. C. French.	J. C. Thompson.
Old Bethel.	E. A. Crooks.*	John Marshall.
Princeton.		J. E. Carithers.
Selma.	Solomon Kingston.*	
St. Louis.	M. M Pearce.	James Torrens.
	J. G. Reed.	
	IOWA PRESBYTERY.	
Chicago.		Robert J. Wylie.
Hopkinton.	Louis Meyer.	Hunter M. Johnston.
Lake Reno.		Joseph M. Wylie.
Morning Sun.	C. D. Trumbull.	J. W. Caven.
Rehoboth.	J. A. Black.	L. M. Samson.
Sharon.	T. P. Robb.	S. J. Houston.
Vernon.		William S. Turner.
Washington.	W. C. Allen.	Wilson Dougherty.
	Isaiah Faris.	
	KANSAS PRESBYTERY.	
Beulah.	J. S. McGaw.	James M. Adams.
Billings.		John W. Young.
Clarinda.	J. W. Dill.	J. C. Glasgow.
Denison.	S. R. Wallace.	George C. Robb.
Eskridge.	James McCune.	
Hebron.	W. S. Fulton.	Francis Rea.
Kansas City.	A. J. McFarland, Jr.	David Boyd.
Long Branch.	J. M. Johnston.†	R. J. C. Dodds.
Olathe.	G. A. Edgar.	J. M. Aiken.
Quinter.	G. R. McBurney, S. S.	
Sterling.	T. J. Allen.	William A. Edgar.
Superior.	S. J. Johnston.	R. W. Gilchrist.*
Tabor.		J. Z. Sterrett.
Topeka.		J. R. Magee.*
Wahoo.		John Birnie.
Winchester.		A. M. Mitchell.
	W. C. Paden.*	

*Not present at the constitution of the Court.

† Ordained since last Meeting.

Congregations.	*Ministers.*	*Elders.*
LAKES PRESBYTERY.		
Belle Centre.		Joseph McConnell.
Cedarville.	W. J. Sanderson.	W. R. Sterrett.
Cedar Lake.	C. M. Smith.	J. R. W. Duguid.
Cincinnati.		William J. Poole.
Fair Grove.	T. C. Sproull, S. S.*	J. S. Wylie.
Southfield.	Joseph McCracken.	J. S. Cannon.
United Miami.	Ruther Hargrave.*	J. F. Mitchell.
NEW BRUNSWICK AND NOVA SCOTIA PRESBYTERY.		
Cornwallis.	Thomas McFall.	
NEW YORK PRESBYTERY.		
First Boston.	Samuel McNaugher.	
Second Boston.	J. M. Foster.	
Bovina.		A. S. Gilchrist.
Brooklyn.	W. M. George.	J. W. Pritchard.
Cambridge.	S. G. Shaw.	David Dickson.
Coldenham.	Thomas Patton.	
Kortright.		William Orr.
First Newburgh.	J. W. F. Carlisle.*	Samuel Dunlap.
Second New York.	R. M. Sommerville.	Walter T. Miller.
Third New York.	F. M. Foster.	Robert McNeill.
Fourth New York.	I. A. Blackwood.†*	William Pollock.
Walton.	R. C. Reed.*	J. R. Henderson.*
West Hebron.	T. A McElwain.	Alexander McQueen.
White Lake.	J. H. Pritchard.	
	G. P. Raitt.	
	A. I. Robb.	
OHIO PRESBYTERY.		
Jonathan's Creek.	J. C. Slater.	J. C. George.*
Londonderry.	P. H. Wylie.	
Muskingum & Tomica.		W. M. Wylie.
New Concord.	A. A. Samson.	James R. Willson.
Utica.		R. A. Adams.
PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY.		
First Philadelphia.	T. P. Stevenson.	
Second Philadelphia.	J. C. McFeeters.	J. R. Dill.
Third Philadelphia.	R. C. Montgomery.	William Steele.

* Not present at the constitution of the Court.

† Ordained since last Meeting.

Congregations.	*Ministers.*	*Elders.*
	PITTSBURG PRESBYTERY.	
Allegheny.	W. J. Coleman.	William Martin.
Bear Run & Mahoning.		John C. Fry
Beaver Falls.	J. S. Thompson.	Samuel George.
Central Allegheny.	J. W. Sproull.	William Anderson.
Clarksburg.		A. Gray.
College Hill.	R. H. Martin.	J. D. McAnlis *
East End.	D. C. Martin.	C. J. Love.
Geneva.	H. G. Foster.	William George.
Little Beaver.	J. R. Wylie.	H. A. Young.
McKeesport and Monongahela.	B. M. Sharp.	
Mercer and Adamsville.	W. J. McKnight.	Samuel A. Fyffe.
Middletown.	" " S.S.	
Miller's Run.	S. G. Conner.	Joseph Wallace.
New Alexandria.	R. J. Gault.	J. B. Patterson
New Castle.	J. S. Martin.	Robert Speer.*
North Union.	F. M. Willson	G. H. McCaw.
Youngstown.	F. M. Willson.	
Oil Creek.	S. J. Crowe.	
Pine Creek.	A. Kilpatrick.	T. A. Hamilton.
Union.	" "	J. M. Douthett.*
Parnassus.		James Clark.
Pittsburg.	David McAllister.	Daniel Chesnut.
Slippery Rock.	J. R. Latimer.	A. F. Kennedy.
Wilkinsburg.	R. C. Wylie.	S. R. Wills.*
	R. C. Allen.	
	J. R. Baird.	
	J. F. Crozier.*	
	J. C. K. Faris.*	
	J. Galbraith.*	
	H. H. George.	
	R. J. George.	
	W. P. Johnston.*	
	George Kennedy.*	
	A. J. McFarland, Sr.	
	J. L. McCartney.	
	R. J. McIsaac.	
	D. J. Shaw.	
	D. B. Willson.	
	ROCHESTER PRESBYTERY.	
Almonte.	P. P. Boyd.¶	
Lochiel.	Charles Clyde.	William F. Brodie.
Syracuse.	G. M. Robb.	Hugh Scott.
York.	J. B. Gilmore.	James Milligan.*
	J. M. Faris.	
	William McFarland.	

* Not present at the constitution of the Court. ¶ Pastor-elect.

Congregations.	*Ministers.*	*Elders.*
VERMONT PRESBYTERY.		
Barnet.	D. C. Faris.	W. M. Hunter.

Ministers Absent: — J. M. Armour, H. P. McClurkin, M. A. Gault, D. H. Coulter, W. W. Carithers, Elmer McBurney, J. M. Littlejohn, S. M. Stevenson, J. Ralston Wylie, W. T. K. Thompson, T. M. Slater, J. R. Thompson, T. A. Rusk, E. M. Coleman, A. W. Johnston, N. R. Johnston, E. F. Sherman, J. J. McClurkin, J. L. Pinkerton, J. C. Slater, and Missionaries J. B. Dodds, R. J. Dodds, C. A. Dodds, Henry Easson, J. S. Stewart.

Congregations not represented: — Staunton, Hickory Grove, Holmwood, Bellefontaine, Barnesville, St. John, Second Newburgh, North Salem, Baltimore, Brookland and Manchester, Rehoboth (Pa.), Salem, Lisbon, Craftsbury, Ryegate.

Names dropped from the Roll: — By death, R. B. Cannon, Fergus Slater. By withdrawal, J. S. Duncan, W. M. Hunter.

Congregation Organized: — Billings.

Congregations Disorganized: — Mansfield, Sterling, (N. Y.)

D. C. Martin was elected Moderator. The Clerk and Assistant Clerk were re-elected. Samuel McNaugher and W. M. George were appointed synodical reporters.

An invitation from President Johnston, of Geneva College, to attend Commencement to-morrow was accepted.

The Committee on Order of Business reported. Amended and adopted, and is as follows:

Order of Business.

Wednesday, May 29, 2 P. M.—Constitution of Synod. Reports of Committees on Order of Business; Devotional Exercises; Unfinished Business.

Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.—Sermon by retiring Moderator.

Thursday, May 30, 7.30 P. M.—Reports of Committees on the Sabbath; Temperance; Psalmody; Evangelistic Work.

Friday, May 31, 9 A. M.—Reports of Committees on Secret Societies; Signs of the Times; Systematic Beneficence; Sabbath Schools.

Friday, 2.30 P. M.—Reports of Boards: Synod's Treasurer; Synod's Board of Trustees; Foreign Missions; Central Board of Missions.

Saturday, June 1, 9 A. M.—Report of Missionary Conference; Superintendents of Theological Seminary; Corporators of Geneva College; Trustees of Geneva College.

Monday, June 3, 9 A. M.—Reports of Presbyteries; Reports on Sustentation and Church Erection; National Reform; Testimony Bearing.

Monday, 2.30 P. M.—Report of Board of Control; Reports of Committees on Theological Seminary and Education, Foreign Missions; Home Missions.

Tuesday, June 4, 9 A. M.—Reports of Committees on Finance; Discipline; Supplies; Travelling Fund.

Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.—Reports of Committees on Finance; Discipline; Supplies; Travelling Fund.

Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.—Report of Stated Clerk on Presbyterial and Statistical Reports; Records of Presbyteries; Foreign Correspondence.

It is recommended that Synod hold its Sessions from 9 A. M. to 12.30, and from 2.30 to 6 P M., with the exception of Thursday morning and afternoon, and Saturday afternoon, on account of a proposed visit to Geneva College on Thursday, and the usual departure of members of Synod on Saturday to neighboring congregations for the Sabbath.

David McAllister,
S. G. Conner.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises submitted a partial report which was adopted.

The Committee on Unfinished Business reported. Received and taken up item by item for adoption.

Item 1.—The Clerk to issue Minutes of last Synod. Minutes p. 46. Reported as follows:

Printing Minutes of 1900.

The Clerk would respectfully report: That as Synod instructed him he published 850 copies, at an expense of . . . $214.33
Sold 709 copies, netting 184.34

Deficit $29.99

After deducting in addition to those that were sold, those that were given away, and those that were lost in the mail, he has 131 copies on hand.

S. G. Shaw.

Adopted.

Items 2 and 3 were laid on the table for the present.

Item 4.—The officers of Synod to take action respecting expositions and the postal service. F. M. Foster, p. 22. Attended to.

Item 5.—Committee to co-operate with representatives of other churches in revising the Psalms, W. J. Coleman, Chairman. P. 12. Reported. Item 2 stricken out.

Report adopted, and is as follows:

Report of Committee on the Revision of the Metrical Psalms.

Your Committee appointed to co-operate with like committees of other churches in the Revision of the Psalter, would respectfully report, that during the past year the General Committee held two meetings, one in Asbury Park, N. J., from September 18th to the 27th, and one in Philadelphia, Pa , from April 24th, to May 7th. At the first meeting, Psalms 10th and 34th inclusive, excepting the 33rd were revised, and at the second, Psalms 35th and 72nd, inclusive, excepting the 68th, were revised. A selection was made of metres in the next Book of the Psalter, Psalms 73-89, for study in preparation for the next meeting of the General Committee, which is to be held in Toronto, August 20-29.

Much earnest and arduous labor has been put upon this revision, and your Committee reports with no small degree of confidence that, while many changes are being made, both in versification and verbiage, the version resulting is, in the words prefacing the old Scottish version "more plain, smooth and agreeable to the text than any heretofore." In seeking this harmony with the text, Psalms of very different character have not all been put in one metre, but, as far as possible, metres have been chosen which express naturally the sentiment of the Psalms. Your Committee suggests that the prayers of the Church follow those carrying on this work that they may be divinely guided, for it requires the gift of the Spirit to discern spiritual things, and it requires reverence for God's Word to induce men to work and wait for the best results. To a good degree we believe that the Spirit has been given, for the members of the General Committee are working together with remarkable harmony in aim, method and spirit in this revision. Eight churches were represented in our meetings, the Presbyterian (North), Canada Presbyterian, United Presbyterian, Reformed (Dutch), Christian Reformed (Holland), Reformed Presbyterian (General Synod), Associate Presbyterian and our own.

The sum of fifteen dollars is requested from each church to meet the expense of printing and postage.

We recommend;

1. That an order be given on the Treasurer of the Literary Fund for $15, the amount to be sent to Dr. J. D. Steele, 74 W. 103 Street, New York.

2. That a committee be appointed to continue our co-operation in this work.

W. J. Coleman.
T. P. Stevenson.
David McAllister.

The former committee, W. J. Coleman, T. P. Stevenson, and David McAllister, was made permanent until the work of revision is finished.

Item 6.—D. S. Faris to confer with and co-operate with the General Synod in improving Chester Cemetery. P. 83. Reported as follows :

Report of Committee on Chester Cemetery.

Through Dr. White of Chester, S. C., the contract to fence in the cemetery with cedar was let to a Mr. Hood, and was finished to his satisfaction for $30.00, one half paid by General Synod, the other half by Synod.

Dr. White will replace any of the trees that may not live.

I recommend that the balance of money sent on in answer to my call, amounting to $12.00. be laid up as a fund for future repairs of cemetery.

D. S. Faris.

Adopted. Recommendation referred to the Committee on Finance

Item 7.—Evangelistic Committee to present articles in church journals, select tracts in line with this work and arrange for an evangelistic meeting at this synod, J. R. Latimer, Chairman. P. 84. Attended to. Arrangements made for a meeting on next Monday evening.

Item 8.—D. S. Faris to convey fraternal greetings to the Reformed Presbyterian Church, General Synod. P. 136. Attended to.

Item 9.—Sale of old Minutes. F. M. Foster. Reported as follows:

Old Minutes.

Your Committee charged with sale of Minutes '96. '97, '98, '99, would respectfully report. That in all ninety-four copies were disposed of. 18, '96, 18, '97, 19, '98, 39, '99.

Ninety-four copies at 5c the copy . . .	4.70	
Postage 4c the copy	3.76	
Balance		.94

This amount was forwarded to Treasurer Walter T. Miller on May 25, 1901.

As there are in the hands of Synod's Clerk fifty copies of Minutes of each year above-mentioned, and which will probably far exceed any future demand, your committee would ask direction as to what shall be done with the several hundred copies in his possession?

Respectfully submitted,

F. M. Foster.

Adopted. Unsold Minutes to be placed in the hands of Mr. James S. Tibby, for sale at five cents a copy.

Item 2. Taken from the table. Printed Minutes. Corrections. The Clerk reported as follows:

Printed Minutes. Corrections.

The minutes as published are correct except in the roll. P. 2 "J. B. Caskey" initials should be I. B. "D. A. Coulter" should be

D. H. and "J. G. Judson" should be H. G. P. 8, 1st line, "928" should be 838. In the Appendix the name "Melville" repeatedly should be Melvine, error in MS. Page 138, 12th line from bottom, "realize" should be realized, 3rd line read $2.50. P. 139, 3rd line from bottom read $400.00, 2nd line read $200.00. P. 140, 24th line from top "to" should be or, error in MS. P. 142, 7th line from top read $355 70. In Statistics, Pittsburg Presbytery, 12th column from 20,—320 should be raised one line. In summary, 2nd column "22" should be 2. Adopted.

Item 3.—Taken from the table. Committee to issue a second edition of Selections of Psalms. David McAllister. Chairman. Attended to at an expense of $140.00. This item was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The report of the Committee on Unfinished Business was adopted as a whole.

Paper No. 1.—Communication from the Christian Reformed Church. Referred to the Committee on Discipline.

Rev. A. J. Van den Heuvel, delegate from the Christian Reformed Church, was given the courtesies of the floor and invited to attend the College Commencement to morrow and to address Synod at the opening of the session Friday afternoon.

Paper No. 2.—Several reports from Walter T. Miller, Treasurer. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Paper No. 3.—Report on Joint Revision of the Psalms, signed by E. R. Craven, William Dey, and J. D. Steele, was read. Item of finance referred to the Committee on Finance.

Paper No. 4.—Report of Western Section of Alliance of Reformed Churches signed by George Junkin and William H. Roberts was read. Item of finance referred to the Committee on Finance.

Paper No. 5.—Memorial from Colorado Presbytery. Read and referred to the Committee on Discipline.

The Clerk of Ohio Presbytery reported the death of Dr. R. B. Cannon. Referred to a special committee to report a fitting tribute.

The Clerk of Philadelphia Presbytery reported the death of Rev. Fergus Slater. Same action.

The absentees of last synod who were present gave satisfactory reasons.

Synod resolved to adjourn this afternoon at half-past five, instead of six o'clock.

One half hour was passed in devotional exercises. H. H. George leading.

Adjourned with prayer by the Moderator.

EVENING SESSION.

Synod met to hear the Moderator's Sermon. The retiring Moderator, Rev. F. M. Foster, preached upon the text Psalm 85, 6, "Wilt thou not revive us again?"

THURSDAY, May 30.

EVENING SESSION.

Synod came to order at the appointed hour and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The roll was called. Forty-six failed to answer to their names and a considerable number of these did not appear during the session.

The minutes of yesterday afternoon were read and approved.

A telegram from N. R. Johnston was read. The Clerk was instructed to forward a reply by mail.

Paper No. 6.—Letter from the Synod of Ireland. Read and referred to the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

Paper No 7.—Report of Anna M. Sproull, Treasurer. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Committee on Temperance reported. Adopted, and is as follows :

Temperance.

Our views as to the growth of this, or of any other great reform, depend very largely upon the scale of measurement which we apply. If we measure by a decade or two, it may appear to have gained nothing, or even to have retrograded ; but if we include within the range of our vision fifty or a hundred years, we will find it to have made very decided progress.

During the first half of the century that has just closed, the use of spirituous liquors was almost universal. In New England the favorite beverage was hard cider and apple-jack made from it, which is credited with containing more madness than any other product of the still. In Pennsylvania and westward whiskey was the popular drink, and almost every neighborhood had its distillery, where the grain of the surrounding farms, for which there was no market, was converted into death-dealing spirits In the harvest fields, at log-rollings, husking-bees, barn and house-raisings, at weddings and merry-makings of every kind, a plentiful supply of whiskey was deemed absolutely indispensable. The decanter was more frequently on the table than the water pitcher, the side board was found in every parlor. It was the universal custom, when either pastor or friend called at the home to pay a social visit, to present *the glass,* or to be considered as lacking in etiquette. Actual drunkards and sots were alone considered as transgressors, while every inferior degree of intoxication was deemed as only the necessary use. When at length the evil had grown to such an extent that the churches felt compelled to lift their voice against it, it was not the immorality of the manufacture, sale, and use of ardent spirits, that they condemned, but excessive or intemperate drinking. The tavern-keeping elders, the liquor selling deacons, and the well-known custom of too many ministers were factors in the liquor problem of that period, which rendered its solution no easy

task. The inexpediency of the traffic and its bad results were generally admitted, but not that it was morally wrong. The conflict on this point was earnest, often bitter, and one-third of the century had gone by before common sense and conscience triumphed over all abstractions of metaphysics, and high temperance ground began to be taken.

Contrast all this with the present state of affairs in our country, and what marked progress the temperance reform has made! Liquor has fallen under the stern condemnation of the Church,—has been banished from the home, and largely from respectable society. Prohibitory laws have found their way into the statute-books of some of our States, and in many of them are legal enactments requiring the nature and effects of alcohol on the human system to be taught in our public schools. A temperance literature has been created, and scattered broadcast everywhere. The Christian women of this and other lands are banded together to overthrow the demon of strong drink. Railroads and other large corporations are now frowning on drunkenness in their employees, and making sobriety a condition of continuance in their service. All this has been achieved within the last fifty years

If, however, we confine our views to the past decade, the cause of temperance would appear to have made but little progress, rather, we should say, would seem to have lost ground. The liquor traffic in volume and per capita is vastly larger than it ever has been at any previous period in the history of our country. It is claimed, indeed, that there has been a slight decrease in the per capita consumption of distilled spirits; but this has been more than offset by the increased consumption of malted liquors and wines. The two great political parties of our country are in the grasp of the iniquitous traffic, and the municipal officers of our great centres of population are, in most instances, its subservient tools. Where prohibitory laws exist they are but laxly enforced, and under them the saloon plies its trade, often as boldly as where shielded by legal enactments. It is even asserted with increasing frequency that the drink-habit is becoming alarmingly prevalent among the best class of society women, and that not in one, but in many cities of our land.

Yet we are not without encouraging evidence that the temperance sentiment of the nation at large, is strong, so that when thoroughly aroused it is sufficient to command respect even from time-serving politicians, who trim their sails to catch the popular breeze. The shameful piece of legal jugglery by which the army canteen bill passed by Congress two years ago, was rendered a nullity, called out such earnest protests all over the country, that a new canteen law was enacted and is now in force. In some quarters, too, the temperance cause has been brought into special prominence. However we may regard the methods of Mrs. Carrie Nation in dealing with the saloon nuisance in Kansas, she has succeeded in calling public attention to the flagrant neglect of officials in violation of their sworn duty to enforce laws that bear against the saloon, and in her own State the result has been additional

legislation to render more effective its prohibitory laws. It would be a blessing indeed if the interest thus awakened would deepen and spread until a thorough temperance revival should sweep over our land.

In closing our report we would recommend for adoption the following resolutions:

1st. That we render thanks to God for the efficient agencies which He has raised up to promote the temperance cause, and for the marked progress it has made in our land during the century that has just drawn to a close.

2nd. That in loyalty to Christ our King we hold ourselves bound to utter with increasing earnestness our testimony against the immorality of the legal sanction given by State and nation to the accursed traffic in intoxicating drink, the fruitful source of so much of the world's misery and crime; and that we will continue to pray, and in every way consistent with our position as a witnessing church, to labor for the overthrow of the evil in our blessed land.

3rd. That we reiterate our condemnation of the use of tobacco and traffic in it; and that we affectionately urge those of our members who have become enslaved to this narcotic, to break their thraldom to a habit that is admittedly filthy and injurious to health, and is so wasteful of the Lord's money, which, if given to the Lord's work would fill the empty treasuries of the church to repletion.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. Black,
W. P Johnston,
S. R. Wallace,
S. K. McGuire,
A. F. Carithers,
Committee.

Adjourned with prayer by P. H. Wylie.

Friday, May 31.

MORNING SESSION.

Synod came to order and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The roll was called. Thirty-three members failed to respond, but the most of these soon appeared.

The minutes were read and approved.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

Committees.

Nominations: J. S. Thompson, P. J. McDonald, Isaiah Faris, A. F. Kennedy, W. R. Sterrett.

Foreign Missions: T. P. Robb, J. M. Foster, C. M. Smith, W. S. Turner, S. S. Smith.

Home Missions: F. M. Foster, T. J. Allen, E. A. Crooks, J. E. Carithers, Francis Rea.

Foreign Correspondence: G A. Edgar, T. H. Acheson, M. M. Pearce, R. J. C. Dodds, T. A. Hamilton.

Sustentation and Church Erection: J. A. Black, E. G. Elsey, J. H. Pritchard, Robert McNeill, D. Chestnut.

Theological Seminary and Education: R. M. Sommerville, J. B. Gilmore, Louis Meyer, David Boyd, David Dickson.

Supplies: Joseph McCracken, W. J. McKnight, S. J. Johnston, J. C. George, C. J. Love.

Traveling Fund: J. G. Reed and the financial agent of each presbytery.

Discipline: R. C. Wylie, J. M Faris, Charles Clyde, Walter T. Miller, William Steele.

Finance: C. D. Trumbull, G. M. Robb, R. H. Martin, Wilson Dougherty, William Pollock.

Unfinished Business: S. G. Shaw, T. C. Sproull.

Order of Business: R. C. Montgomery, I. A. Blackwood, J. C. Taylor, J. R. Dill, Alexander McQueen.

Devotional Exercises: J. R. Latimer, W. S. Fulton, E. M. Coleman, G. H. McCaw, T. J. Blackwood.

Evangelistic Work: W. M. George, J. M. Johnston, J. C. Slater, J. E. Wilson J. C. Dodds.

National Reform: J Renwick Wylie, D. S. Faris, J. T. Wilson, A. S. Gilchrist, William Orr.

Sabbath: R. J. Gault, D. J. Shaw, James McCune, James Gray, James Thompson.

Sabbath Schools and Young People's Societies: James Patton, A. J. McFarland, Jr., W. C. Allen, S. A. Fyffe, Hunter M. Johnston.

Secret Societies: J. C. B. French, G. P. Raitt, W. T. K. Thompson, L. M. Samson, W. M. Wylie.

Signs of the Times: A. Kilpatrick, J. A. McElwain, A. M. Thompson, J. R. W. Duguid, James M. Douthett.

Systematic Beneficence: J. S. Martin, S. McNaugher, J. R. W. Stevenson, J. B. Sterrett, J. W. Cavin.

Psalmody: D. B. Wilson, H. G. Foster, William McFarland, William Martin, James R. Henderson.

Temperance: S. R. Wallace, B. M. Sharp, George Kennedy, J. M. Adams, Joseph McConnell.

On Records of Presbyteries.

Colorado: H. H. George, William McFarland, James McCune, J. C. Fry, J. R. Magee.

Illinois: J. W. F. Carlisle, J. C. McFeeters, J. C. B. French, J. S. Cannon, Robert Davis.

Iowa: Ruther Hargrave, W. S. Fulton, S. J. Johnston, James Clark, D. S. Echols.

Kansas: A. A. Samson, R J. Gault, Isaiah Faris, J. R. Henderson.

Lakes: T. P. Stevenson, R. J. George. J. C. K Faris, T. J. Blackwood, William Brodie.

New Brunswick and Nova Scotia: W. J. Sanderson, J. L. McCartney, J. F. Crozier, A. M. Mitchell, William George.

New York: J. W. Dill, P. P. Boyd, W. J. Coleman, John Ewing, Joseph Wallace.

Ohio: T. M. Slater, W. J. Coleman, R. C. Allen, William Anderson, John Birnie.

Philadelphia: R. M. Blackwood, W. C. Paden, J. K. Robb, W. J. Poole, J. C. Glasgow.

Pittsburg: R. C. Reed, A. I. Robb, T. P. Stevenson, R. J. Wylie, J. M. Aiken.

Rochester: Thomas McFall, F. M. Willson, S. G. Conner, Samuel George, H. A. Young.

Vermont: Solomon Kingston, R. J. McIsaac, P. H. Wylie, J. F. Mitchell, R. A. Adams.

The Committee on the Sabbath reported. Items adopted. Report adopted and is as follows:

Sabbath.

The Sabbath is a divine institution. It is written "The Lord blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it." The Psalmist says, "This is the day which the Lord hath made." And God has given us a Commandment, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." And frequently God charges the people to keep His Sabbaths, promising as in Isa. lviii: 13, 14, rich blessings for the proper observance of the day, and shows at other times that He regards and will treat as an act of disobedience the non-observance of the day. Especially noticeable is the case of the children of Israel not keeping the Sabbath and being removed from the land, "until the land had enjoyed her Sabbaths, for as long as she lay desolate she kept Sabbath to fulfil three-score and ten years."

The Sabbath was made for man and is therefore coeval with man. It is enacted in the Decalogue, but even there its previous existence is presupposed. Christianity receives it just as Judaism did, as one of God's existing ordinances for man. The Law-giver changes not, nor has the law been abrogated or changed under Christ, for He says, "I came not to destroy the law but to fulfil." As the Sabbath then was made for man it is for his good in every aspect of his being — for his body, mind and spirit. We must not fail to keep in view that the Sabbath was intended for man's physical nature, and that therefore every one who seeks employment from others should help to guard the day as a day of rest. This is an argument *ad hominem*. On a test case, last April, before the Ontario Court of Appeal, one on behalf of the Lord's Day Alliance, admitted that his contention was that religion had nothing to do with the day of rest. They were asking for it because it was con-

venient and in accordance with the feelings of the country that the day should be Sunday." Now we know that Paul says, "whether in pretense or in truth Christ is preached and I therein do rejoice," yet we cannot well say, if the State prevents public desecration of the day because it is in accordance with the feelings of the people that we will be entirely satisfied, for the feelings of the people might change. The day is to be observed because God has said, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." It is God's law that binds. The keeping of the day as a rest is the least part of the observance of the Sabbath. As the spirit of man is of greater value than the body, so the keeping of the Sabbath holy is of more importance than simply ceasing to labor on that day.

God says, "I gave them my Sabbaths to be a sign between me and them," and if the sign is despised and broken God is justly displeased. As well expect a plant uprooted from the soil to live and grow as to expect vital religion in one whose habit it is to disregard the sanctity of the Sabbath. He breaks the sign and does not live in connection with the living and life-giving Head.

The first evil that we would mention is that many young children are not taught that there is a difference between the Sabbath and the other days of the week, but are allowed their playthings on the Sabbath as on other days. These, as a consequent, grow up without a knowledge of the sacredness of the day, and of course when they come to take their place in the business world, they see no need to be strict in the observance of the day but can engage in anything which presents itself for pleasure or profit. Some of the good inventions of the present generation, as the bicycle, the electric car, and steam navigation, are made use of to serve man in his quest for pleasure on the Sabbath.

The day is made use of by many for social visiting, and for holding musical concerts, neither of which glorify God or tend to promote man's growth in grace.

The newspaper issued on the Sabbath is one of Satan's best agencies in secularizing the day. And we lay the blame of such papers not merely on the publishers but on the reading public as well. Alas, professors of the religion of our Lord Jesus Christ come in for a large share of the blame. The London publishers and proprietors of newspapers lately issued editions on the Sabbath, but the observers of the Sabbath made such a protest and took such a decided stand that the proprietors quickly withdrew the editions issued on the Lord's day, and if the professors of religion here would take a like stand and withdraw their advertisements from papers issued on the Sabbath and cease to buy and read them, a reform would soon be effected and without the use of the "hatchet." "The weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty."

The Committee in charge of the Pan American Exposition has decided to keep the Exposition open on the Sabbath day. In this they have disregarded the petition of the Lord's Day Alliance to have the Exposition closed on the Sabbath. If only the petition-

ers would support their petition by corresponding action, and if all the people who by profession are bound to observe the Sabbath as an holy day would either withdraw their exhibits or cover them on the Sabbath and refuse to patronize the exposition by visiting it on any day, we believe the exposition would be closed on the Sabbath. But it is too true that the Committee in charge of the exposition can depend on enough of the professors of religion to disregard their obligations to keep the Sabbath holy as to make it safe and profitable for them to keep the exposition open on the Lord's day.

We are pleased to note that the Presbyterian Synod of Kingston and Toronto has sent a large deputation to wait on the Ontario Cabinet, urging the Government to use the utmost of its power to prevent Sabbath desecration in the way of excursions on the Sabbath in connection with the Pan American Exposition. In this the Synod was joined by the Lord's Day Alliance. Also many representatives of other churches were present. The Premier replying said he was in sympathy with their demands. We can assure them of our sympathy and best wishes for their success. The National Reform Association has made its usual vigorous efforts for Sabbath reform.

We recommend:

1st. That heads of families in our church slack not their diligence in showing by word and example the proper observance of the Sabbath.

2nd. That our ministers in their public teaching give the usual prominence to this part of their work.

3rd. That our people be still steadfast in refusing to join in any employment that requires them to violate the sanctity of the Sabbath.

4th. That our people do not avail themselves of the benefits accruing from Sabbath breaking institutions.

5th. We condemn the keeping open of the Pan American Exposition on the Lord's day, and would ask our people to refuse their patronage to this Sabbath breaking institution.

THOMAS MCFALL,
JOHN C FRENCH,
W. MCLEOD GEORGE,
G. G. MCLAURY,
JOHN H. CURRY,
Committee.

The Committee on Psalmody reported. Items adopted. Report adopted and is as follows:

Psalmody.

"God is a Spirit: and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth."

In order then that God be worshipped in spirit and in truth the

worshipper must be in a spiritual frame of mind. And in order to the possession of a spiritual frame of mind the worshipper must employ the Divinely appointed means through which the Holy Spirit lifts the soul up to God. These, however, lie infinitely beyond the range of human discovery. They must be made known. "For the world by wisdom knew not God." And the making known of the matter and manner of acceptable worship constitutes the great burden of Divine revelation. But revelation is now complete. Should any one therefore be still found asking in the language of the prophet Micah, "Wherewith shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before the high God?" The immediate and somewhat indignant reply of this same prophet, would convey to him the final answer, "He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good." And this, too, is the final answer in regard to the matter and manner of praise. In all other parts of religious worship the human element predominates In the praise service, the Divine. Hence praise is the purest part of religious worship, provided the *matter* of praise be "The Word of Christ" dwelling in the worshipper. If it be the word of man, then it becomes, of all parts of religious worship, the most corrupt, and the sin becomes as proportionately great as the difference between the Divine and the human element. The songs of the church must be Divine—God-given songs. The worshipper needs songs coming from God to lead him up to God. Hence the songs of the Bible are objective. God is the object and also the matter of praise. And who knows better the words we are to employ in praise than God Himself? The godly Romaine once exclaimed, "I want a name for that man who should pretend that he could make better hymns than the Holy Ghost. What a blasphemous attempt!" The Divine injunction is, "And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption." The Holy Spirit framed the songs of the church so as to express the emotions, not of one, or of a few, but of all the children of God for all time. What mortal man is capable of doing this? And as the experiences and progressive attainments of the children of God are necessarily very similar in all ages of the world, are we not logically led to the inevitable conclusion that the songs of the church, as to their number, is complete? and that they are all contained in that Book so often quoted by Christ and His apostle, unmistakably called The Book of Psalms. Where is the Christian of to-day, who has so far advanced in sanctification attainments, who can say that his spiritual experiences, emotions and progressive attainments have outgrown the God-given songs of the church? Did God Himself not know what manner of spirit we are of? Human invention tries to consecrate before God every shade of controverted belief and sectarian jealousy. Presbyterians, Congregationalists, Methodists, Baptists, Plymouthists, Moravians, Universalists, Roman Catholics, Rationalists, Unitarians, Swedenborgians, and Latterday Saints, each and all are seeking to force their peculiar views upon God, and to obtain His special sanction to their views in opposi-

tion to all the others. Each one of these churches would instantly reject with abhorrence the hymn books of all the rest. But that God whom they worship, and who is a jealous God, is supposed to be well pleased with them all, or, at any rate, they require Him to endure it all in his worship. The Divine injunction is, "Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns, and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord." If it can be shown that each one, and all of the hymn books of these different churches, holding flatly contradictory views, is the very "Word of Christ" dwelling richly in the worshipper, we will yield the argument, and like the Jew, we will look for another Messiah. If, instead of making collections of hymns, many of them disgusting, both to taste and feeling; if, instead of multiplying paraphrases and translations, the churches would require of their ministers to explain the Psalms, and set forth their spiritual significations, their prophetic anticipations, and their rich unction of heavenly poesy, we would anticipate immeasurably more benefit to the spiritual life and growth of the church, and the conviction of the ungodly, than if you were to congregate a whole sanhedrim of poets, and require them to work up the remnant of their wits into psalms and hymns and spiritual songs. But we believe there be yet extant a few poets of the ancient seed; and we would recommend to them an object worthy of their muse, to give to the church a uniform metrical version of the Psalms, whose improvement should consist, not in sacrificing the true expressions of the original to mere poetical language, but in a close adherence to the words of the original, even a more close condensation of them than in the prose version of which condensation our Scottish version contains many admirable examples. For poetic beauty and close adherence to the original, our Scottish version is as yet without a peer. Rufus Choate, one of the greatest scholars and orators of which our country can boast, on one occasion, being in the city of Montreal over Sabbath, visited the Scotch Presbyterian church and heard Dr. Magill. He was exceedingly well pleased with the Scotch way of singing by the whole congregation. Of the old Scotch version of the Psalms used, he made this remark, "An uncommon pith and gnarled vigor of sentiment lies in that old version. I prefer it to Watts" If the present Committee on Revision can give to the church a uniform metrical version of the Psalms, sacrificing not true expression of the words of the original to mere poetic beauty, but in close adherence to the original, in which the churches represented shall all agree, they will have done under God, a service to the church which will have its blessed, happy and lasting influence on the church of the future; and we will hail it as a bright omen that a glorious epoch is drawing near when the church of the living God, "the pillar and the ground of the truth," shall re-echo with the God-given songs of a unanimous Zion; and thunders of song shall go up in full diapason unto Him who sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb, forever and ever.

"All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice,
Him serve with mirth His praise forth tell
Come ye before Him and rejoice."

The only recommendation we would make to the ministers and members of the Witnessing church in regard to a Divine Psalmody is, unflinching fidelity, as in the past, to the divine injunction given by the Redeemer Himself to the church of Thyatira, "That which ye have hold fast till I come."

Respectfully submitted,

P. P. Boyd,
Thomas Patton,
G. R. McBurney,
W. S. Turner.

The Committee on Evangelistic Work reported. Items adopted. Recommendation 7 was added. Report adopted and is as follows:

Evangelistic Work.

Jesus said, "The harvest truly is plenteous." This is still true, true in the United States. There is great need of mission work at our door. The last census gives the population of the United States 76,304,799. The membership of all organizations, claiming to be religious, is 28,351,630. This includes Papists, Mormons, Jews. etc. Of the bodies that may by a stretch of courtesy be called evangelical, the membership is less than 18,000,000. The latest available statistics for Sabbath schools in the United States give the attendance 10,893,528. In this is included a large number of church members. Probably not more than 19,000,000 of our population receive any evangelical instruction. Thus the harvest at home is about three-fourths of the population; and judging the other fourth by their fruits, many of them give no evidence of regeneration.

Some years ago the Y. M. C. A. of Chicago canvassed the State of Illinois to find how many young men attended church. The report was that only 5 per cent. *ever* attended. The number who were members would be considerably less, probably not more than half. The net growth of the church in recent years has been very small. For the last statistical year the U. P. Church reported at home a net increase of 1.1 per cent., the M. E. Church no gain; the Presbyterian, about 2 per cent., etc. This is not as much as should be by natural growth.

Why is this? Is the church a failure? Nay, verily. But it is for some cause out of harmony with its Head, and in consequence His blessing is withheld. When Israel sinned in "the accursed thing" they failed. They were required to remove the cause. So the church now must endeavor to find out, and remove the cause. We name a few reasons why we believe, the divine blessing is withheld.

1. *Unhallowed alliances and lax discipline.* The church allows its members to exercise the elective franchise on a constitutional basis that ignores God, and Christ, and the divine law; and that makes the popular will the supreme law of the land, a basis that thoroughly pleases the most pronounced enemies of our Savior King. It fellowships the lodge, reeking with deistic and profane doctrines and practices. It has in its membership those who receive gains from Sabbath-breaking railroads, newspapers, etc., also from the murderous sweat shop. It permits its members to seek pleasure in ways that do not comport with that holiness which is the law of Christ's House. It is satisfied with the *form* of godliness, while the *power* is lacking.

2. *Corruptions of doctrine and worship.* The divine ordinance of praise, in matter and manner, is largely set aside by human appointments. The human is then exalted above the divine. Men whom much learning hath made mad have sadly mutilated the Bible with the pen-knife of their nonsensical and sacrilegious higher criticism; and still they are retained in membership in professedly evangelical churches. The church at large is guilty of a ruinous liberalism in doctrine and practice under the guise of charity.

3. *Covenant breaking.* There is a tendency in all the churches including our own, to make light of covenant obligation. There have been many in our own covenanted body in recent years, who seemed to think they could escape from covenant obligation by a change of view. Almost the entire Presbyterian family of churches have endeavored, in the same way, to escape from the covenants of the past, sealed with martyr blood.

But time would fail us to mention the worldly spirit that prevails in the church, as seen in methods often adopted, to carry on the Lord's work, to raise money for it, etc., in the human devices and organizations frequently employed to the exclusion of God's methods and institutions for doing His work, in robbing God of time devoted to Him and of the tithes that He claims, and in other ways in which Christ is wounded in the house of His professed friends.

For such reasons as the foregoing, God was wroth with His Israel of old. (See Hosea, *et al.*) He is the same to-day; and while He is very long suffering, His spirit will not always strive. He is warning the church by the little progress she is making and is calling her to awake, and put on her beautiful garments, and shake herself from the dust (Isa. 52 : 1, 2), and to put away the evil of her doings, and conform in all things to His will and way, and to come up to the high platform of His Word, as to separation from everything that defiles her and dishonors her glorious King.

As long as the church is so defiled she need not expect the divine blessing, or that she can have much influence for good on the individual or nation.

Even Tolstoi has said, "You must make yourself right before the

world around you can be made right." A church not right with Christ cannot bring the world to Christ.

The charge of pessimism will, no doubt, be brought against us. Is the physician pessimistic who tries to discover the cause of his patient's weakness and make a thorough diagnosis of the case? There is abundant evidence of a diseased condition of the church; and it is wisdom on our part to face the facts and seek the remedy.

We recommend to all our people:

1. A closer walk with God and more earnest endeavor to secure a revival of true godliness and genuine piety in their own hearts and lives.

2. Greater watchfulness that in all their contact with others in social, business and other relations, they so conduct themselves as to show they have been with Jesus and that there is a power for good in the Christ-life not to be found anywhere else.

3. That they embrace every opportunity, and seek to make opportunity to do good, to gain a beneficial influence over their unconverted neighbors and acquaintances, and to lead them to Christ.

4. That the courts of the church, her ministers, and members show greater fidelity in performing their covenant obligations to Christ, and to the church in maintaining her purity in doctrine, worship, and practice, and, as faithful witnesses, in proclaiming the whole truth as a testimony for righteousness and against moral evil in all human relations.

5. That in the above and similar ways, all endeavor to let their light shine, so that others may be led to glorify our Father in Heaven.

6. We earnestly urge the entire church to seek by constant and importunate prayer in the closet, at the family altar and in social and public worship, the endowment of all our ministers and members with power from on high, that all may be filled with the Spirit, and that His converting, saving, and sanctifying influences may accompany the reading, preaching, and study of the Word. With full dependence on Christ's promise "That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching anything that they shall ask, it shall be alone of My Father," (Matt. 18: 19), we urge, that from this time forward there be united prayer throughout the church for the abundant outpouring of the Spirit in Pentecostal power.

7. That our ministers and congregatiens be urged to reach out after the unsaved population around them, gathering them into our own churches and Sabbath schools and preaching and organizing Sabbath schools in neglected and destitute neighborhoods and in every way bringing to them the offer of salvation through Jesus Christ, and pressing upon them the acceptance of that offer.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. Latimer,
B. M. Sharp,
C. McLeod Smith,
H. G. Judson,
Committee.

Resolutions as to Chinese were submitted. Referred to a special Committee.

The courtesies of the floor were extended to Dr. John A. Willson, of the United Presbyterian Church.

The Committee on Secret Societies reported. Laid on the table for the present.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises reported. Adopted, and is as follows:

Devotional Exercises.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises respectfully presents the following report:

Thirty years ago Synod in practically carrying out one of our distinctive principles engaged in an act of public covenanting. Within the few succeeding years, in accordance with Synodical instructions, nearly all our congregations engaged in the same act.

This was followed by a period of great activity in all departments of Christian work and of unprecedented prosperity in all our borders.

In recent years this covenant has not received the attention it deserves. Our solemn vows have not been faithfully performed.

Tokens of divine displeasure because of our lack of faithfulness are not wanting.

Meeting now as we do in the same building in which Synod engaged in the solemn act of covenanting in 1871, we believe this to be a fitting time to revive the memories of that occasion, to seek the quickening of the consciences of our people in the matter of covenant privileges and obligations, and to offer special prayer that God may be merciful unto us and bless us and cause the brightness of His face to shine upon us. We have therefore selected the different sections of our covenant as topics for meditation in our devotional services.

Wednesday. The Plan of Salvation considered doctrinally, experimentally and practically. The Covenant, Section 1. Eph. 2: 4–10. To preside: Rev. H. H. George.

Friday. The Westminster Standards and modern heretical tendencies. The Covenant, Section 2. Eph. 4: 8–16; II. Tim. 4: 1–4. To preside: Prof. D. B. Willson.

Saturday. The Christian Principles of Civil Government. The Covenant, Section 3. I. Tim. 6: 15; I. Cor. 15: 27, 28; Rom. 13: 1–7; Jer. 18: 7–10. To preside: Rev. T. P. Stevenson.

Monday. The Unity of the Church on the basis of truth and Scriptural order. The Covenant, Section 4. John 17: 18–23. To preside: Rev. J. W. Sproull.

Tuesday. The Evangelization of the world The Covenant, Section 5. Matt. 28: 16–20. To preside: A. S. Gilchrist.

Wednesday. Our Testimony. The Covenant, Section 6. II. Tim. 1: 8–14. To preside: Rev. T. P. Robb.

We recommend that the last half hour of the first day of Synod, and the last half hour of the morning session thereafter be set apart for these services.

Respectfully submitted,

R. C. Wylie,
Louis Meyer

Paper No. 8.—Report and Memorial of Reformed Presbyterian Women's Association. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Paper No. 9.—Certain Questions on Church Order. Referred to the Committee on Discipline.

Half an hour was spent in devotional exercises, D. B. Willson, leading.

Recess was taken. Prayer by J. T. Wilson.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Synod came to order and was opened with prayer by Walter T. Miller.

The roll was called. R. C. Allen, Anderson, R. M. Blackwood, P. P. Boyd, Crooks, Dickson, Duguid, French, Galbraith, A S. Gilchrist, J. M. Johnston, George Kennedy, Kingston, Love, Marshall, Pearce, S S. Smith, J. C. Thompson, Wills, John W. Young. Most of these soon appeared.

The minutes were read and approved.

The Committee on Nominations submitted a partial report which was adopted and is as follows:

Committee on the death of R. B. Cannon; P. H. Wylie, J. A. Black, William McFarland and elders J. S. Cannon and J. C. George.

Committee on the death of Fergus Slater: J C. McFeeters, R. C. Montgomery, R. H. Martin, and elders J. R. Dill and J. W. Pritchard.

To confer with representative of the Christian Reformed Church: R J. George, F. M. Foster, J. A. Black, Geo. C. Robb, and J. R. W. Duguid.

To consider resolutions relative to the literature of the Church: Walter T. Miller, Robert Speer, L. M. Samson, J. R. Wylie, M. M. Pearce.

The courtesies of the floor were extended to Dr. William Wishart, Dr. M. M. Patterson, Dr John McNaugher and Rev. J. R. J. Milligan, of the United Presbyterian Church and to Dr. J. R. Henry of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

Rev. A. J. Van den Heuvel, of the Christian Reformed Church was heard. It was ordered that a committee be appointed to have further conference with this representative of a sister church and report to Synod. The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That Synod has heard with cordial satisfaction the address of the delegate from the Christian Reformed Church, and that we appoint a delegate to convey in person our salutations to that church at the next meeting of their synod.

The Committee on the Signs of the Times reported. Adopted, and is as follows:

Signs of the Times.

CAUSES FOR THANKSGIVING.

"O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endureth forever." "It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing unto Thy Name, O most High; to show forth Thy loving kindness in the morning, and Thy faithfulness every night." "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits." "Come, and hear, all ye that fear God, and I will tell what He hath done for my soul." There are many things that call for a special day of Thanksgiving. Among these we enumerate the following:

1. Individual mercies and blessings. To many the year has brought a large amount of joy and happiness. Few clouds have shadowed their pathway. They who have thus been blessed ought not to forget the Giver, nor fail to utter their gratitude. To others the year has brought griefs and sorrows, but as God's children they have reason to praise Him for the way He has led them, for the consolations that He has brought to them, and for the hopes that He has afforded them. Though they have passed through the vale of weeping, they have found it a place of springs. Let us recount our mercies, and thank the bountiful Giver.

2. Mercies and blessings that the church has enjoyed. The candlestick has not been removed out of its place. God's Spirit has not forsaken the church. Some measure of zeal and devotion have marked her work. At home her work has been unhindered. The century just ended witnessed a marvelous increase in her membership. Our population is fourteen times as great as it was at the beginning of the century, but the membership of the evangelical church is forty-seven times as great. Though many hindrances were encountered in her foreign mission work, and the last year added many more to the long list of the martyrs of Jesus, yet the devotion of the church and the missionaries has not decreased. Those who were compelled to flee from China stand ready and anxious to return at the earliest possible moment. The church waits only for the opening of the way that she may replace those who have fallen. We have special cause of gratitude. Though our work in China was interrupted, yet none of the missionaries have suffered, nor has our mission property been seriously damaged. The eagerness of our missionaries to return, and the readiness of others to enter the work are causes for gratitude.

3. National blessings. These have been bestowed with bountiful hand. The labors of the year have been blessed. Industries

have prospered; commerce has flourished; agriculture has been profitable. Internal strife has not rent us asunder, or filled us with forebodings. Progress is believed to have been made towards the pacifying of our recently acquired possessions. We are at peace with the nations of the world. Our institutions flourish. God has dealt bountifully with our land. Let us praise His Name for undeserved mercies so abundantly bestowed.

Synod appoints the last Thursday of November to be observed as a day of thanksgiving by the people under our care.

CAUSES OF FASTING.

"He that covereth his sin shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy." "I said, I will confess my transgression unto the Lord; and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin." "Sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly, gather the elders and all the inhabitants of the land into the house of the Lord your God, and cry unto the Lord." Surely there are not wanting abundant causes why we should by fasting humble ourselves before the Lord our God and seek His mercy. Among these we enumerate the following:

1. Individual sins. There is no one that liveth and sinneth not. Will not an examination of our lives compel each one of us to say, "I have sinned: what shall I do unto Thee, O thou preserver of men?" Unholy thoughts have not been strangers to us. Our works have not been perfect before God. We are in captivity unto the law of sin and death. Should not we search and try our ways and turn unto the Lord? Should not we as a people seek unto our God?

2. Lack of fidelity on the part of the church. If we listen will we not hear the voice of God, "Nevertheless I have a few things against thee?" Nay, rather, are not the accusations heavy that the Lord our God might bring against her? She has not held fast to the truth, and kept pure the worship of God, therefore God has given her over to divisions: her beauty is marred, her power is weakened. She has sat in ease while multitudes have perished about her. The cry of a world hungry for the bread of life has brought but a feeble response. Worldly attractions and human devices have been permitted to displace the attractions of the cross, and the power of the Holy Ghost. Romish devices are finding their way into her worship, while God's holy day is dishonored. She has not been a faithful witness for Christ. Our own branch of the church is not free from many things that should call us to fast and to afflict our souls. Our lack of zeal, the feeble efforts that we are putting forth, the feeble voice with which we deliver our testimony, all witness against us.

3. National dishonor done to Christ and His law. Our nation has shown no disposition to recognize either Christ or His law. The almost unparallelled blessings of the year have not led us to repentance, but rather have inflated us with pride and arrogancy. We have continued to fix more firmly upon the child races of our island

possession — a people little able to endure them — those evils that have been cursing us, such as the traffic in intoxicating liquors and its kindred evils. National righteousness has not increased. Judgment in many cases languished in our streets. We have not heeded the cry of the oppressed. We continue to do dishonor to the King; we have not kissed the Son, but instead have enthroned the people and bow to their will.

Synod appoints Thursday of the Week of Prayer to be observed as a day of fasting by the people under our care.

J. S. Thompson,
Solomon Kingston,
W. S. Fulton,
A. S. Gilchrist,
John Birnie.

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence reported. Amended and adopted, and is as follows:

Systematic Beneficence.

Among the many reasons for Christian giving is *the need* of the cause of Christ. Every organization requires some support. A literary society in college, a club in fashionable society, a ministerial association and all civil corporations, national, state and municipal, require some financial support. The church, which represents the cause of Christ in the world, needs to be sustained by pecuniary means. As the head of His church the Lord Jesus Christ has instituted her manner of worship and government; so we believe He has not left us altogether without directions as to the method by which His cause is to receive financial support. One way in which the church might receive support is by assessment and taxation of her members after the manner of the state. This would give "equality," which is very desirable. But we believe the Scripture shows "a better way."

Concerning giving, we have this direction, "every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver," II. Cor. 9 : 7.

Again, we have this counsel, "upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him," I. Cor. 16 : 2. Every member of the church who has means should give something. It ought to be attended to with regularity. It should be according to the prosperity God bestows. "The first day of the week" is recommended, Abraham's giving the tenth of the spoils to Melchisedek, Jacob's resolution to give the tenth of all that the Lord should give him, and the tithe of the Mosaic economy may suggest the proportion we should feel it to be our duty to give. At least the one-tenth of our increase should be regarded as sacred to the Lord.

As much above this ought to be given as the cause of Christ may need, and "the love of Christ" may constrain us. The

woman who gave "all her living" was not condemned. Some think there is no rule by which we are to be guided; but we believe if the Old and New Testament Scriptures be carefully studied, they will be found to teach that some system ought to govern us in Christian giving

This Synod believes in systematic giving; therefore this annual report.

We recommend, 1st. That all our people seriously consider the claims of the church upon them.

2nd. That our members give at least one-tenth of their increase to the cause of Christ.

3rd. That our church papers and magazines and ministers instruct the people as to the manner of giving the tenth.

4th. That all our members be encouraged to go as far beyond the tenth as they may be able.

5th. That the love of Christ be our constraining motive in all our offerings, and that every contribution be sanctified by earnest prayer.

Respectfully,

J. M. Faris,
J. G. Reed,
Of the Committee.

A resolution respecting the literature of the church was referred to a special committee.

Synod's Treasurer reported. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Synod's Board of Trustees reported. Referred to the same Committee.

A resolution as to the remuneration of the Secretary of Synod's Board of Trustees was referred to the same Committee.

The Foreign Mission Board reported. Referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions. Items of finance to the Committee on Finance.

Philadelphia Presbytery reported concerning the Jewish Mission within their bounds. Referred to the Committee on Home Missions and Committee on Finance.

The Board of Church Erection reported. Referred to the Committee on Sustentation and Church Erection.

An invitation to meet next year in Syracuse, N. Y, was laid on the table for the present. A motion to meet permanently in or near Pittsburg took the same course.

W. J. McKnight was appointed Moderator's Alternate to preach the opening sermon next year.

Paper No. 10.—Minutes of the Syrian Commission. Approved, and are as follows:

Minutes of Syrian Commission.

LARNACA, CYPRUS, March 21, 1901.

To the Reformed Presbyterian Synod of North America:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN:

We herewith respectfully present the Minutes of Annual Meeting of Synod's Commission for Syria, Asia Minor and Cyprus.

MINUTES.

Commission met according to adjournment at Larnaca, Cyprus, March 20th, 1901, at 9 A. M. The retiring Moderator, Rev. J. S. Stewart, being absent, the Commission was constituted by prayer by Rev. Henry Easson. A sermon was preached by Rev. J. Boggs Dodds from Heb. 4: 16. The roll was then called. Members present, Rev's Henry Easson and J. Boggs Dodds. Elders, Dr. W. M. Moore and J. M. Balph. On motion, the name of Rev. C. A. Dodds, of Latakia, was added to the roll, and the name of Dr. S. A. S. Metheney, of Mersine, who has resigned and returned home was stricken from it. Minutes of last meeting were then read, after which the election of officers took place, resulting in the choice of Rev. Henry Easson, Moderator, and J. M Balph, Clerk. The committee which was appointed at last meeting to inquire more fully into the matter of Mr. Selim Haddad, who requested the Commission at its last meeting to relieve him of the regular preaching of the Gospel, reported, "That owing to the fact that it became necessary, some time after the appointment of said committee, for the Latakia session to suspend Mr. Haddad from the communion of the church, it was not considered necessary to call a meeting of this committee."

Report was accepted and committee discharged.

A motion was then made and carried, that the records of the various sessions and of sessional work done by pastors where there there are no sessions, be submitted to the Commission for review, at each regular annual meeting. Minutes of Larnaca congregation were presented and read and Commission reports that they find nothing in them contrary to the law and order of the church.

A paper was then presented by the Larnaca session relative to the matter of Mr. Daoud Saadi, Licentiate, recently suspended for conduct unworthy a Christian and preacher of the Gospel. After consideration of this paper, it was moved and carried that his license to preach *be revoked*, and that the Rev. Henry Easson be requested to announce the same from the Larnaca pulpit.

Adjourned to meet at 1.30 P. M.

1.30 P. M.

Commission met and was opened by prayer; after which a paper was presented by representatives of the Latakia Session, concern-

ing the matter of Mr. Selim Haddad, Licentiate, who is under suspension for contempt of court. On motion, his license to preach the Gospel was revoked, and the pastor, Rev. J. S. Stewart, was requested to announce this action from the Latakia pulpit.

On motion, Mr. Demetrius S. Demetriades, was taken under the care of the Commission, as a student of Theology, his studies to be pursued under the direction of Rev. Henry Easson; he to be examined by the Commission at its regular annual meetings. On motion, Commission adjourned, to meet at Latakia at the call of the Moderator.

HENRY EASSON,
Moderator.

J. M. BALPH,
Clerk.

Paper No. 11.—Communication from the Transdanubian Reformed Churches. Referred to the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

Adjourned with prayer by Charles Clyde.

SATURDAY, June 1.

MORNING SESSION.

Synod came to order and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The roll was called. E. M. Coleman, French, Fulton, Galbraith, Gilchrist (indisposed), J. M. Johnston, George Kennedy, McCartney, McIsaac, James Patton, Rea, J. C. Thompson, J. R. Wylie, failed to answer, but nearly all soon appeared.

The minutes were read, amended and approved.

The courtesies of the floor were extended to Rev. A. M. Malcolm of the Associate Church, and to Rev. W. B. Stoddard of the Congregational Church.

The Board of Corporators of Geneva College reported. Referred to the Committee on Theological Seminary and Education.

The Board of Trustees of Geneva College reported. Referred to the Committee on Theological Seminary and Education and the Committee on Finance.

The Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary reported. Referred to the Committee on Theological Seminary and Education.

The Mission Conference reported. Referred to the Committee on Home Missions and the Committee on Finance.

The report of the Committee on Secret Societies was taken from the table. During the discussion of it the hour for devotional exercises arrived. P. T. Stevenson led the meeting.

Adjourned with prayer by Thomas McFall.

MONDAY, JUNE 3.

MORNING SESSION.

Synod met at the appointed hour and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The calling of the roll was omitted.

The minutes were read and approved.

Certain resolutions respecting immorality in the new territories of the United States were referred to a special committee.

The Board of Sustentation reported. Referred to the Committee on Sustentation and Church Erection.

The following memorial to the Commissioners of Uniform Laws to be duly signed and forwarded was adopted.

Memorial to the Commissioners of Uniform Laws.

JUNE 3, 1901.

To the Commissioners of Uniform Laws:

We, the ministers and elders, of the Synod of Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America, respectfully urge that in your forthcoming report on divorce laws you recommend only such legislation as is in harmony with the law of Christ, which sanctions the dissolution of the marriage relation only for adultery and such wilful desertion as admits of no remedy. According to the declaration of the Supreme Court of the United States, "This is a Christian nation," therefore there can be no rightful basis of uniform state laws on the very important subject of marriage and divorce except as these laws correspond to the law of Christ. The purity of our homes and the welfare of our various commonwealths require that the law of Christ be recognized on this important subject.

The courtesies of the floor were extended to Rev. J. H. Kendall, of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, General Synod.

At their own request the reporters of Synod were discharged.

The Committee on National Reform reported.

David McAllister, Synod's Financial Agent for National Reform, tendered his resignation, which was accepted with the thanks of the court for his faithful and efficient services during so many years.

R. C. Wylie was chosen Synod's Financial Agent for National Reform.

The financial report of the National Reform Association was presented. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

The usual courtesies were extended to Rev. Charles E. Edwards, of the Presbyterian Church, Rev. William Wilson, of the Free Methodist Church, Revs. J. P. Martin and H. W. Temple, of the United Presbyterian Church, and Rev. Dr. Watters, of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, General Synod.

The hearing of Dr. Watters, delegate from the Reformed Presbyterian Church General Synod, was made the order of the day for the opening of this afternoon's session.

The report of the Committee on National Reform was laid on the table for the present.

Illinois. Iowa, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Rochester, and Vermont Presbyteries reported. Referred to the proper committees.

Paper No. 1 referred to the Committee on Discipline was transferred to a special committee.

The report of the Committee on Secret Societies was referred back to the committee

The report on National Reform was taken from the table. Items 1–3 adopted. An amendment to item 4 was presented. During discussion the hour for devotional exercises arrived. J. W. Sproull led the meeting.

Recess was taken with prayer by Robert Speer.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Synod came to order at the hour and was opened with prayer by W. J. Coleman.

The roll was called. W. C. Allen, Baird, Carlisle, Dickson, J. R. Dill, W. M. George, McCartney, George Kennedy, Scott, Wills, and H. A. Young did not answer. Allen, Dickson, Dill, George and Kennedy soon appeared.

The minutes were read and approved.

Dr. Watters, delegate from the Reformed Presbyterian Church, General Synod, addressed the court. The following was adopted:

Resolved, That we have heard with pleasure the address of Rev. Dr. Watters, the delegate of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, General Synod, and that we appoint Rev. W. J. Sanderson, Rev. R. Hargrave, alternate, to convey to the General Synod the fraternal greeting of this body.

The following was referred to the Central Board of Missions:

Resolved, That an agent be appointed to visit the Southern States and determine the advisability of inaugurating evangelistic work among the mountain whites of these States, to report at next meeting of Synod.

The usual courtesies were extended to Rev. Pressly Thompson of the United Presbyterian Church.

The report on National Reform was laid on the table for the present.

The Board of Control reported. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Committee appointed to confer with the delegate from the Christian Reformed Church reported the following which was adopted:

Christian Reformed Church.

The Committee of Conference with the representative of the Christian Reformed Church respectfully report:

Your committee held an extended interview with the Rev. A. J. Van den Heuvel, delegate of the Christian Reformed Church to this Synod, in which it was sought to ascertain how far the two churches agree and in what points they differ. As far as we have been able to discover there is entire harmony in matters of doctrine; also in church government, except that the Christian Reformed Church has the consistory; and in worship except that the Christian Reformed Church allows a limited use of instruments in connection with the praise service. We agree as to the nature and use of the Sacraments, Baptism and the Lord's Supper, and the manner of their administration. As to the pastoral oversight of the flock, the cultivation of family religion, the recognition of children born in the church as within the covenant we agree. Their church seems to be in advance of ours in the careful indoctrination of its youth The Christian Reformed Church holds the same principles of national religion as are maintained by this church, and they are making investigation as to the religious defect of the Constitution of the United States. They make a public protest annually against the failure of our Chief Magistrates to honor Christ in their thanksgiving proclamations. They vigorously maintain the duty of the State to give religious instruction in the public schools.

The testimony and discipline of the Christian Reformed Church against secret orders are as definite as our own. In the matter of temperance they are making steady progress but have not yet reached the position of total abstinence maintained by this church.

Your committee make the following recommendations:

1. That to give effect to the action of Synod already taken the Rev. Dr. McAllister be appointed fraternal delegate to convey the greetings of Synod to the Synod of the Christian Reformed Church at its meeting in 1902.

2. That a committee be appointed to confer with a like committee of the Christian Reformed Church, with a view to co-operation in maintaining distinctive positions common to both churches, and in which they differ from other evangelical denominations, and in various lines of reform work.

Respectfully submitted,

R. J. George,
F. M. Foster,
J. A. Black,
Geo. C. Robb,
J. R. W. Duguid,
Committee.

I concur in the statements made in the body of the above report as to points of agreement and difference between the Christian Reformed — and Reformed Presbyterian Churches.

A. J. Van den Heuvel,
Delegate of Chr. Ref. Church.

R. J. George was appointed alternate to D. McAllister in the first resolution.

The Board of Control reported. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Committee on Theological Seminary and Education reported. Adopted, and is as follows:

Theological Seminary and Education.

The Committee on Theological Seminary and Education presents the following report:

The life of our church depends under God upon its college and Theological Seminary. In both these institutions of learning young men who are to be its future ministry are under careful training, the former giving them the mental culture that is indispensable to a thorough equipment for their life work, and the latter guiding their studies in the Word of God and the most effective methods of presenting truth, and fitting them, as they could not otherwise be fitted, for the maintenance and defense of the truth in this day of oppositions.

Under the efficient direction of President Johnston and a well-qualified staff of professors in its several departments, Geneva College, which has always ranked with the best schools in this country, has reached this year a high state of proficiency. It deserves well of the church, and demands a liberal support that the buildings may be kept in good repair and the surroundings made more attractive to the eye.

The attendance at the Theological Seminary was larger than during the previous year, and the work done was fully up to the standard. Professors Willson and George are discharging their duties with marked fidelity, while the diligence and attainments of the students give promise of future usefulness.

The men who go out from their denominational schools will carry with them in their intellectual and religious life, an impression of the value of the testimony for which our church stands and the importance of full consecration to Jesus Christ.

1. An earnest effort should be made to remove the over draft on the Treasury of Geneva College, referred to in the report of the Board of Corporators, and that provision may thus be made for necessary repairs on the building, " and for the better equipment of the scientific department."

2. We nominate Mr. Walter T. Miller, to succeed Thomas E. Greacen, as Synodical member of the Board of Corporators of Geneva College, and recommend the election of Rev. T. P. Stevenson and Elder David Boyd and W. R. Sterrett as their own successors on the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary.

R. M. Sommerville,
J. B. Gilmore,
Louis Meyer,
David Dickson,
David Boyd,
Committee.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The session of 1900–1901 began on Tuesday, Sept. 8th, 1900, and closed on Wednesday, May 1st, 1901.

There were eleven students in attendance, viz.:

Third year: Robert Clarke.

Second year: Wilbur John McBurney, Hugh McCarroll, Edward Love McKnight, Herbert Bratton McMillan, Wilmer George Robb.

First year: Samuel Edgar, Ernest McLeod Elsey, Samuel Edgar Greer, Julius Andrew Kempf, David Calvin Matthews.

The attendance this year was exceptionally good, the average number of absences being less than five per cent.

Certificates to their respective Presbyteries were given to the students of the third year, and a diploma to Robert Clarke who has completed his seminary course.

An account of the closing exercises and the professors' reports were published for the information of the church.

Seventy-one dollars were appropriated out of the current funds of the Seminary to pay for lessons in voice culture given by Prof. Lafferty.

The library has been entirely re-arranged, additional books purchased, and a new catalogue prepared.

The terms of Rev. T. P. Stevenson, and Elders D. Boyd and W. R. Sterrett have expired.

Their successors should be elected.

Respectfully submitted,

T. P. Stevenson,
Chairman.
J. W. Sproull,
Secretary.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CORPORATORS OF GENEVA COLLEGE.

To the Moderator and other members of Synod:

The Board of Corporators of Geneva College respectfully submits its annual report:

A member of the Faculty of Geneva College in an article recently published, makes the following significant statements, namely:

"So long as a branch of the church represents a principle or a position that is thought to be of supreme value, and for which it is worth while to live apart ecclesiastically, so long, we may suppose, it will be important that it should have educational institutions imbued with this principle and giving visibility and concreteness to this position. A church is stronger for being able to point to these proofs of its faith and its power to put itself into the life of the people, and people are impressed by the existence of good schools and seminaries because they indicate life and purpose in living."

If these propositions be true, and they are true, then the demand becomes imperative that the denominational college shall be the true representative of the distinctive principles and position of the church to which it belongs. It follows therefore, that in addition to that which shall constitute a claim to a high place among the educational institutions of the country, Geneva College should possess that which shall differentiate it as a covenanter institution. While this distinctive character should not be manifested in such a way as to alienate from the college students of good moral character who are not with us in church fellowship, it ought to be so forceful and persistent in its operation that no student could pursue a course of study in the institution without bearing its distinct impression upon his character and life through all the after years.

To accomplish this result is the constant aim of your Board of Corporators as it was the purpose of the founders of the College. The report of the Board of Trustees, together with the exercises of commencement day witnessed by so many members of the court will enable the synod to judge of our success.

If the educational institutions of a church "give visibility and concreteness to her principles and her position," it follows that any measure of neglect and decay seen in the buildings, or any want of completeness in the equipments of the College impresses the public mind as giving evidence of the decline of the steadfast purpose and moral earnestness of the church. We therefore appeal to synod to make such provision for the repair of the buildings, and for the better equipment of the scientific department as will make the College worthy of the noble principles for which our church stands and the vital faith with which she prosecutes all her work.

With regret we call attention to the increasing over-draft of the Treasury. The fault does not seem to lie with faculty or with the management of our Board of Trustees. If the church would contribute the amount appropriated by synod, the debt would disappear.

This Synod should choose a successor to Mr. Thomas E. Greacen as synodical member of the Board of Corporators.

Respectfully submitted,

T. P. Stevenson,
President.
R. J. George,
Secretary.

REPORT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF GENEVA COLLEGE.

To the Board of Corporators of Geneva College:

Gentlemen: In submitting our annual report, we take occasion to mention the constant influence for good, of this, the church's cherished institution of learning. A stream of water from a living fountain is a blessing to the village below, because day after day

it affords the needed supply. A college, that year by year gives to the church and to the world young men and women well equipped for service is a blessing that should be highly appreciated, and its power should be fully recognized. We ask your attention to the number of men in the ministry of our own and other churches; to those in the various learned professions, and to those who but for a short time have received instruction here, but during this brief period have been inspired to a fuller and higher life. The religious influence of the college, as the principles of our religion are taught and exemplified, the environment in the homes of Christian people, and the associations formed must ever increase the attachment of the student to the church, and to her grand mission of ushering in the Kingdom of our Lord. If all the youth of the church could be educated here the church power would be greatly increased. We aim to make the college worthy of this patronage.

A college, like a tree, is a growth. The standard of education is raised from year to year. It now equals that of the surrounding colleges and in many respects surpasses them. The length and course of study, gradually introduced for the last four years, is now fully established, and all the collegiate graduates complete the full four years' work. And the rank of the college is so high that our graduates are able to secure the diplomas of the best universities of our country by one year's attendance upon their instruction.

The friends of Geneva are gratified that in the late intercollegiate oratorical contest, in which seven colleges were represented, Geneva by the decision of the judges, ranked highest.

The master degree now can only be obtained by the equivalent of a year's work of resident study, under the instruction of the Faculty. Part of this work is the writing of a thesis. The student is allowed to choose his course of study. The tuition charged is the same as in the regular college course. Already one application for this degree has been made under the new rules.

The Faculty have arranged that students in the preparatory department shall recite in the afternoon. The separation of the two departments, it is hoped, will in various ways be advantageous to both, and by the help in the preparatory classes, of the Professors in the collegiate department, the expense will be somewhat reduced.

A summer school, under the efficient management of Prof. J. W. Springer, is now in operation. This school is designed to assist students who in some respects may not be ready to enter the college classes. It is also intended to help those who are preparing to engage in teaching.

Our college suffers in that, larger and financially stronger institutions at times are able to take from us, instructors that have given good satisfaction

Rev. R. J. McIsaac, favorably known to the church by his work in the Southern Mission, accepted the chair of mathematics tendered him by the Board for one year. Prof. B. C. Barnard, graduate of Wooster University, was tendered the chair of Natural Science for one year.

Both of these gentlemen have given good service and have been elected permanently.

Prof. A. T. Smith, of the Preparatory Department, was offered a much more lucrative position and tendered his resignation at the end of the second term of this year, and Prof. J. W. Springer, graduate of this college, and favorably known in Beaver County, Pa., as a teacher and Christian worker was elected to the vacancy. He is expected to take charge of this department at the beginning of the school year.

Mr. James H. Thompson does good work in gymnastics and is retained. He is pursuing study in the college.

The work of the past year is especially gratifying to President Johnston and his helpers. The students came from a wider limit than formerly. East, as far as Vermont; West, as far as Illinois, Iowa and Missouri. The number of students was larger than for some years, the total in all departments being 215. In the Collegiate and Academic Departments there was enrolled 164. There were 24 graduates in all; 21 of these graduated in Collegiate department; 3 graduated in Music, and 1 in Oratory.

The library has been increased by donations and by the purchase of new books. 131 volumes, Records of the American Rebellion, came to us through U. S. Senator M. S. Quay. The number of volumes taken from the library, for use, has also increased. Total number of volumes was 1,500. We ask you to notice that the balance of funds on hand for library is small and that if we increase our books as in the past we will need a liberal collection for this purpose.

There have been special expenses in our work during the year. We were obliged to extensively repair the Dormitory. It became necessary to secure a new water supply, and a new pavement in front of the college was required by the authorities of College Hill borough. The invested funds did not yield as high a rate of interest as formerly. The current debt has been slightly increased. We are able to report that the debt on Science Hall has been nearly extinguished and that on new ground, greatly reduced. By the payment of the notes to the amount of $10,000, of the late lamented Mr. John Hunter, and by the payment of $3,000, the remainder of the gift of Mr. Walter T. Miller and by the payment of other smaller notes the amount of endowment of the college paid in now reaches $127,005.78. But this amount is small compared with the endowments of neighboring colleges. We are obliged again to appeal earnestly to the church for funds.

1st. To meet debt incurred a few years ago in repairs on college buildings. This debt was incurred under the promise of funds that have not become available.

2nd. To make repairs needed in the buildings at the present time.

3rd. At the earliest possible moment we wish to properly equip the building erected as a science hall.

We ask for a collection of $3,000, and urge that pastors and officers keep the claims of the college before our people.

We gratefully recognize the patronage and financial support of the church in the past and we believe that Geneva is worthy, and we trust she will receive increased patronage and support in the future.

We commend President Johnston to the favorable reception of the church in his effort to obtain money to liquidate the debt on college land.

Respectfully submitted,

A. KILPATRICK,
President.
J. R. WYLIE,
Secretary.

The following resolution was adopted:

That this Synod taking note of the fact that the first Sabbath of February is observed widely as a day of prayer for Colleges and students, recommends the pastors and congregations under its care to give special consideration on that day to those great interests and to offer special supplication on their behalf.

The Committee on Sabbath schools and Young People's Societies reported. Items in the report on Sabbath schools adopted. Items 1 and 2 in the report on Young People's Societies adopted. Item 3 amended by striking out and adopted. Item 4 recommitted. David McAllister and R. J. George were added to the Committee.

The Committee on Testimony Bearing reported. Laid on the table for the present. Synod's Railroad Agent reported. Adopted, and is as follows:

Traveling Fund.

The Committee on Railroad Rates respectfully report that the second member of the Committee made application to the New England Trunk Line, Central and Western Passenger Associations for the usual reduction of rates to Synod, and the same was granted on condition that 100 persons were in attendance on the sessions of Synod who paid full fare for tickets in coming to Synod and took certificates from agents of railroads. We have to report that the railroad agent who was present June 1st, declined to *vise* the railroad certificates because the number was not sufficient according to the terms of agreement. An effort to secure a reconsideration of this decision has proved unavailing. We report the expenditure of twelve dollars paid out, eleven dollars to the railroad agent, and one dollar for telegram. We ask that the Committee be reimbursed out of the Traveling Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

C. D. TRUMBULL,
JOHN W. PRITCHARD,
J. S. MARTIN.

Voted that the expense reported above be paid out of the Traveling Fund.

Kansas and Ohio Presbyteries reported. Referred to the proper committees.

The following resolution was adopted:

That in order to insure hereafter a sufficient number of railroad certificates to secure the rate of one fare and a third for all persons attending the meeting of Synod, ministers are requested to travel on the certificate plan, and elders are requested to arrange the time of their departure for Synod so as to be able to secure certificates.

The following Committee to consider resolutions relative to moral conditions in our island possessions was appointed:

R. C. Allen,
T. P. Stevenson,
J. W. Dill,
R. J. George,
J. D. McAnlis,
Wm. Martin.

Charles Clyde was appointed to preside at the evangelistic meeting to-night in place of G. M. Robb appointed by the Committee.

It was ordered that the foreign missionaries present be heard to-morrow evening.

Adjourned with prayer by F. M. Foster.

Tuesday, June 4.

MORNING SESSION.

Synod came to order at the hour and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The roll was called. Acheson, T. J. Allen, Baird, Black, Carlisle, Chesnut, J. C. Dodds, Fulton, J. C. George, Gray, Kilpatrick, A. M. Mitchell, McAllister, McCartney, McIsaac, Orr, James Patton, Pearce, Raitt, Rea, J. K. Robb, Scott, Sharp, Speer, T. C. Sproull, J. R. W. Stevenson, Wills, J. Milligan Wylie J. R. Wylie, and J. S. Wylie did not answer. Nearly all appeared during the session.

The minutes were read and approved.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Clerk shall hereafter make Synod's Presbyterial Roll correspond with changes reported by Clerks of Presbyteries to Stated Clerks, during sessions of Synod, and incorporated in Stated Clerk's Statistical Report. If, during Synod, minister demits charge, and he remain in same Presbytery, his name shall be placed in list of unsettled ministers and be "starred," with foot-note, "Charge demitted." If minister passes to another Presbytery by accepting "call," he shall be placed as pastor, with "star," — "Call accepted." If to another Presbytery without "call," the "star" shall read, "Received on certificate from ——— Presbytery."

The Committee on the death of R. B. Cannon reported. Adopted, and is as follows:

Dr. R. B. Cannon.

Rev. Robert Brown Cannon, the son of Rev. John and Martha (Brown) Cannon, was born near Greensburg, Westmoreland County, Pa., Oct. 4th, 1821. He received his early education under the direction of his father; studied the classics under Rev. Hugh Walkinshaw, and finished the classical course in the Greensburgh Academy, and graduated from the Western University of Pennsylvania in 1842. He was principal of the Darlington Academy one year. He studied theology in the Allegheny and Cincinnati seminaries, and was licensed by Lakes Presbytery May 7th, 1846. He was ordained and installed pastor of the united congregations of Greensburg and Clarksburg, May 5th, 1847, and resigned the charge April 1st, 1851. He was installed pastor of Rehoboth congregation Dec. 14th, 1854, and resigned Dec. 17th, 1867. He was installed pastor of Vernon congregation Sept. 13th, 1872, and resigned May 28th, 1878. He removed to Cameron, Mo., where he labored for a time under the care of the Central Board of Missions. He also preached for two years gratuitously to the colored people of Missouri.

He was installed pastor of Jonathan's Creek congregation Sept. 9th, 1886, where he continued to labor until compelled by failing health to resign in the year 1896. From the time of his licensure in 1846, till the time that he finished his labors, 1896, was a period of fifty years, that he was engaged in the active service of the Master and His church. He was honored with the title of Doctor of Divinity by the Iowa University in 1868. Dr. Cannon had a mind of more than ordinary strength and clearness; was a very clear and forcible reasoner; his preaching was remarkably plain and easily understood. Was an earnest and able advocate of the distinctive principles of the Reformed Presbyterian Church; was a very attractive and forcible speaker, and took a goodly degree of interest in the study of prophesy.

He was a man of more than ordinary social qualities. He could reach all classes in the church and out of the church. He was an excellent presbyter, and was well posted in church and parliamentary order, and was able to discriminate with preciseness in the intricate matters that came before the courts of the church. He continued his labors with a great deal of ability until some two or three years before his resignation in 1896. Having been visited with frequent attacks of La Grippe, which resulted in the entire breaking down of his health, and after months of suffering, finally terminated in his death on Nov. 29th, 1900, in the 80th year of his age.

Respectfully submitted,

P. H. Wylie,
J. A. Black,
Wm. McFarland,
J. S. Cannon,
J. C. George,
Committee.

The Committee on the death of Fergus Slater reported. Adopted, and is as follows:

Rev. Fergus Slater.

The Rev. Fergus Slater died at his home, in Cedar Run, New Jersey, on May 21st, 1901, after an illness continuing almost one year. Accepting of the appointment received while attending the last meeting of Synod, he entered upon the work of supplying pulpits, only to return home in a few weeks through failing health and continued to decline until the end.

Mr. Slater was born June 3rd, 1836, at Bury, Lancashire, England. He came to America in 1869, was ordained to preach the Gospel in 1876, in the Methodist Episcopal church, and was received into the communion of the Reformed Presbyterian church May 3rd, 1898.

In his brief ministry among us he gave evidence of a clear conception of, and strong attachment to, the principles of the Second Reformation, as embodied in our testimony. His preaching was clear, unctuous and satisfying, manifesting his own deep experience in the truths he communicated to others. He had no greater pleasure than in presenting Christ to sinners, and in endeavoring to bring believers into the clearer light and fuller enjoyment of the Gospel.

His manner of life and conversation was of a high order, corresponding beautifully with the dignity of the ministerial office. His companionship was exceedingly sweet and profitable. After a life of laborious and cheerful service the Lord has called him to his reward. His wife and children in their bereavement have the great consolation of cherishing the memory of a faithful husband and a devoted father, whose life was beautiful in holiness, and pleasant in every relation. We commend them to the grace of our Lord Jesus.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. McFeeters,
R. C. Montgomery,
John W. Pritchard,
J. R. Dill,
R. H. Martin,
Committee.

A recommendation of Mrs. Slater to the Fund for Widows and Orphans was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Special Committee on Church Literature reported. Adopted, and is as follows:

Literary Fund.

The Committee appointed to consider the proposal of Walter T. Miller, Treasurer of the Literary Fund, for the transfer of the care of that fund and the literature in his possession to Mr. J. S. Tibby of Pittsburg, Pa., respectfully report:

That they have agreed to recommend to the Synod the adoption of the proposals of Mr. Miller, and that

First. The tender of the resignation of Walter T. Miller, as Treasurer of the Literary Fund, be, and hereby is, accepted.

Second. That Mr. J. S. Tibby of Pittsburgh, Pa., be, and hereby is, chosen Treasurer of the Literary Fund.

Third. That the disposition of the debit balance of this fund, $825.97, until otherwise arranged, be left to the mutual agreement of Mr. Miller and Mr. Tibby.

Fourth. That the transfer of account books and papers connected with the fund, and the remaining copies of the Testimony and Book of Discipline, and the electrotypes of the Testimony to the custody of Mr. J. S. Tibby, be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to be made with convenient speed, and further, that Mr. Tibby's receipt shall be Mr. Miller's voucher for the same.

Fifth. That all literature in the hands of Dr. Sommerville, Prof. Willson, and all others be transferred to Mr. Tibby's care and disposition.

Sixth. That due announcement to the church be distinctly made of the change of Treasurership of this fund, and custody of the literature to Mr. Tibby, that the receipts intended for the fund and payments from it be made as directed.

All which is respectfully submitted,

WALTER T. MILLER,
ROBERT SPEER,
L. M. SAMSON,
J. R. WYLIE,
M. M. PEARCE,
Committee.

A vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. Walter T. Miller for his long continued labors, and for his fidelity as Treasurer of the Literary Fund.

The following was adopted:

Psalmody Convention.

Resolved, That the Synod appoint ten (10) delegates to the Psalmody Convention, to meet in Belfast, Ireland, in the summer of 1902, and that the Moderator and Clerk be authorized to certify as delegates to this Convention these appointees and such other ministers and elders of this church as expect to be in Ireland next summer, and who will attend this Convention. Those expecting to attend the Convention are requested to notify W. J. Coleman, Chairman of Revision Committee as soon as possible of their intention, that our church may be represented on the programme.

The usual courtesies were extended to Rev. W. A. Phillips, of the United Presbyterian Church.

The Special Committee on immoralities in the new territories of the United States reported. Adopted, and is as follows :

Under our system of government, public evils can by no means be removed unless the people are informed concerning them. Often it is not so much the sense of shame that causes iniquity to hide itself as it is the fear that an outraged public sentiment will annihilate it. Those who know of its existence and will not declare it, and those who are not willing to investigate it are responsible in measure for its existence.

We have in mind the moral condition of our army, and certain military regulations which, on unimpeachable testimony, are declared to exist in Manila. The social evil in connection with our home camps has been disgraceful to a Christian land and to a Christian civilization ; but abroad prostitution has been so far reduced to a system as to put us to fresh shame in the eyes of the nations.

The Reformed Presbyterian Synod therefore protests against the toleration or sanction of this evil the facts of which can hardly be unknown to the government, and appeals to the President of the United States to exercise his direct authority in this matter.

We also appeal to Congress to not only take notice of this evil but also to provide for the suppression of similar evils in the Hawaiian islands.

We further appeal to the press, to give to the people the information which will enable them to do their part in the removal of this dreadful evil.

The officers of this court are hereby instructed to convey this act to the President, and by memorial to Congress.

Signed,

R. C. Allen,
T. P. Stevenson,
J. W. Dill
J. D. McAnlis,
Wm. Martin.

The Committee on Home Missions reported. Adopted, and is as follows :

Home Missions.

Committee on Home Missions would respectfully report: That the following papers have been put into their hands : —

1. Report of Central Board of Missions.
2. Report on Jewish Mission, Philadelphia.
3. Report of Mission Conference.

Said reports have been examined by your Committee, and they recommend that they be published.

The work of the church has been carried forward with energy and zeal, and with a good measure of success, for which the church should express thanks to God.

The Central Board is charged with serious responsibilities, and these they have discharged with fidelity to their trust.

In the Southern Mission the work falls under two heads:

a. *Evangelistic.* Working through congregational activities of the Selma congregation, with Rev. Solomon Kingston as acting pastor and regular minister.

b. *Educational.* With Knox Academy, manned by a Faculty of devoted teachers, the Rev. J. G. Reed being Principal.

The school work should give much time to, and much instruction in, Bible study, in seeking the conversion of the scholar, and building him up in the faith of the Lord Jesus, and obedience to His law. The school should not take the complexion of an institution for secular education. One soul savingly influenced, is of priceless value; and education, or industrial training, without this point gained, *have failed.*

Three thousand two hundred and forty-five Bible verses and questions in catechism were memorized. Considering the number of pupils, this is a fraction over six portions per member, a low rating. The income from the school was $908.47, less than $2.00 per scholar for the year.

Your Committee believe that effort should be made to steadily increase the income from the pupils, as a necessary education in financial responsibility; and to increase the hope that by such education the school and the congregation may become, at some time in the future, self-sustaining.

The Wednesday evening prayer meeting is attended by about forty persons. If this number includes members of the congregation, or if it does not, there is room for a large improvement, since the pupils are being educated at the expense of the church, and the work is called *Mission Work.*

INDIAN MISSION.

God has, during the past year, blessed the Indian Mission with a great affliction. In the severe trial, He showed the courage, the fidelity, the prayerful dependence upon God, of Missionary Carithers, and the Mission forces. They never so cried unto God as when the small pox raged; they never so felt the need of His presence, as at that time; and their prayers were never so signally answered as during those dark days. God has lifted His hand.

One school day each week has been devoted to the study of the Sabbath school lesson, and to other religious instruction. More than 12,000 portions have been memorized by the sixty-three scholars enrolled, an average of nearly two hundred portions per scholar. This is worthy of the highest commendation. The accession of nineteen, and twenty-seven baptisms, are evidence of God's special favor.

The prayer of the church should go up unceasingly for Rev. W. W. Carithers, Missionary in charge, whose physical strength has given way under the great burdens and large responsibilities which are his. The Board's action in securing an assistant, the Rev. J. R. W. Stevenson, was none too soon, and is heartily commended. The church has a warm place in her heart for Missionary Carithers, and she pleads most earnestly with God, not only that he may be spared, but that he may be so restored as to give the Mission, for years to come, the blessing of his eminently useful life.

JEWISH MISSION.

Cincinnati. The work in this city has been suspended, Miss Patterson having been called home by illness in her family.

Philadelphia. The work has been going on in Philadelphia for five years. Forced just now to change location, it is practically beginning anew. The church rejoices now in the possession of a Mission property, suitably located, the committee in charge believe, for more effective mission work among the Jews. That God's blessing will rest upon Missionary Moses Greenberg, and his equally devoted wife, is the church's earnest prayer.

MISSION CONFERENCE.

Thirty-four congregations receive aid. The Conference asked for $7,955. *Every cent should be raised.* A balance of $2,300 remains unpaid. *Every cent of this should be raised.* The church is well able to raise all the Conference asks for, $10,255. Those who labor, under help from the Mission Conference, should not be made to suffer because they receive aid through this channel, while others are paid in full.

Mrs. N. R. Johnston is seeking to revive the work among the Chinese in Oakland, Cal., and with some measure of encouragement.

Your Committee would recommend :—

I. That the Home Mission work of the church receive more *careful* and *prayerful* interest. Congregations which have been, or are about to be, organized in good localities, with energetic minister, and with hopeful outlook, should be cherished, held up by prayer and financial help.

II. That there should be greater conviction in the power of the Gospel to convert *men*, as is illustrated in the work in the Indian Mission.

III. That in Home Mission work the great aim of the church, under God's commission, should be, not so much to educate in secular knowledge, as to preach the Gospel to lost souls.

IV. That mission work among the Indians, the Jews, the Chinese, and other foreign nationalities; peoples which come with heathenism wrought into their very souls by contact with idolatry for long generations, is the highest duty of the church in the home land, not second to her work on the foreign field. This work is necessary, not only to reach souls with the Gospel of Christ, but to conserve the church's life, endangered by the materialism, the secularism, and idolatry which are rolling over our land as a tumultuous sea.

Especially, congregations which, in their individual capacity, engage in Home Mission work, are worthy of commendation, and their example should be followed.

V. That the church put forth proper and substantial effort to raise the money necessary to carry forward efficiently all departments of Home Mission work.

F. M. Foster,
E. A. Crooks,
T. J. Allen,
William Orr,
J. E. Carithers,
Committee.

Central Board of Missions.

The Central Board of Missions would respectfully report:

The meetings of the Board, which were held regularly, were all well attended. Dr. McAllister, who, on account of impaired health, found it necessary to cease for a time from active work, and go abroad, was able to meet but seldom with us.

DOMESTIC MISSION.

Synod at its last meeting adopted the recommendations of the Mission Conference, appropriating about $8,900 from this fund to assist congregations needing aid. At the meetings of the Board held in July and October, 1900, and February, 1901, reports having been received from the clerks of Presbyteries as to the amount of work done, orders were given on our Treasurer to pay to the treasurers of the different Presbyteries seventy-five per cent of the appropriations, or a total of $6,827.35. We report on hand $47.10. It ought to be remembered, however, that there remains unpaid twenty-five per cent. of Synod's appropriations, or about $2,300. We call your attention to the condition of this fund, and ask that measures be at once taken to raise the entire amount necessary to meet obligations already incurred.

Balance	$ 169.97
Receipts.	
From Bequests	240.00
From Congregations, etc.	4,316.72
Dividends	2,147.76
	$6,874.45
Expenditures	6,827.35
Balance	$ 47.10

We ask for this mission $6,000.

SOUTHERN MISSION.

Rev. J. G. Reed was elected superintendent of this mission at our meeting Oct. 17, 1900. He was not able to enter at once upon the work. Miss Margaret McCartney, the assistant superintendent, accompanied by Miss Hobbie, went out about the middle of September and took charge. The school was opened on Monday, Oct. 1st, with an attendance of about 370, reaching 400 before the close of the month. On account of the absence of some of the teachers, Mr. Kingston and Mr. Pickens assisted in the school for a few weeks.

Mr. Reed arrived on Nov. 27th, 1900, and found everything in excellent condition. "Miss McCartney," he writes "is deserving of special mention. There are not many who could have taken the place she did at the beginning of the year and fill it as well as she. Her duties were a host in number and often very difficult, and the more so in some cases because she is a woman. Her discipline and management were excellent."

By the first of the year Mr. Reed had familiarized himself with the requirements of the mission. Under his efficient superintendency the work has prospered and is to-day in a very satisfactory condition.

The regular teachers are Miss Margaret McCartney, Miss Blanche George, Miss Sophia Kingston, Miss Lillian Hobbie, Miss May Beattie, Miss Kate Woods, Miss Lena Beattie, and Mrs. G. M. Simms. Mrs. Kynett and Miss Lillie Fitzpatrick have acted as assistants when their services were needed.

The total enrollment was 572; the highest attendance any one month being 498. This year the graduating class numbered three.

The course of instruction is about the same as heretofore. No attempt was made to carry on industrial work. It is intended to do something in this department next year. $12.00, contributed by friends for this purpose, are now in the hands of Mr. Reed.

Since the first of the year Mrs. Reed has given regular instruction in the rudiments of music, devoting half an hour a week to each of the rooms. She has also given private lessons in instrumental music to about a dozen of pupils.

The religious instruction of the school is not neglected. The Bible is studied. Portions of it as also answers to the questions in the Shorter and Brown's catechisms are committed to memory. "2,314 Bible verses, and 931 questions have been memorized."

The income from the school from all sources was $908.47. Out of this were paid the salary of one teacher, the amount paid those who assisted as their services were needed, the supplement to the salary of one of the special teachers, the janitor, the coal bill, repairs and some incidental expenses. There still remain in Mr. Reed's hands $75.44.

PLEASANT GROVE SCHOOL.

Mr. Pickens is still in charge. The day school was opened on November 12th, and closed April 12th. There were an enrollment of forty-three and an average attendance of thirty-two. The attendance in the Sabbath school is about the same.

VALLEY CREEK SCHOOL.

After the death of Mr. Phillips, which took place on June 25, 1900, Mr. Pickens took charge of the school, holding it at an hour that did not interfere with the discharge of his other duties. This continued until Jan. 1st, when Mr. Reed took his place. "The largest attendance was thirty-nine, average about twenty-five. The children are mostly small." As no competent person could be secured to take charge of the few scholars who were willing to attend, the day school was discontinued.

PINE GROVE.

The building in which this school was held was burnt last summer. No attempt has been made to continue the work here.

THE CONGREGATION.

A debt of about $100, of two or three years standing has been nearly all paid off by the members. The congregation receives a supplement of $400 a year. The receipts this year have about met the expenses. There was an increase of six in the membership.

The Wednesday evening prayer meeting is held regularly and attended by about forty persons. "The exercises are quite interesting."

In the morning Sabbath school the number present varies from 120 to 150. The afternoon Bible classes, attendance on which by the day scholars is compulsory, except by those who go to the morning school, average about 300. A number of persons not connected with the mission attend these classes.

The friends at Selma were cheered by a visit from Elder Walter T. Miller of New York.

Receipts.

From Congregations &c.		$4,059.92
From Dividends		425.39
From Bequests and other sources		275.00
		$4,760.31
Balance overdrawn	$524,65	
Expenditures	4,085,78	
Balance		4,610.43
		$149.88

We ask for this mission $5,000,00.

INDIAN MISSION.

The school opened at the usual time in September. There was a large attendance of scholars, and the indications for a prosperous year were encouraging. In a short time, however, the small-pox broke out, and for weeks the children and workers were exposed to the disease. Most of the former took it.

The disease spread among the "Camp Indians," many of them dying. Numbers of those afflicted with it encamped near the mission. The workers did all in their power to give relief. The presence of Dr. Emily Humphreys proved to be of great value. She never hesitated to visit when necessary those who needed her attention. The Board appropriated to her $100.00 in recognition of her services. Miss Carithers, the field matron, also gave days to the nursing of the sick and dying. Mr. Carithers writes in terms of warm commendation of "all the workers, whose energies were taxed to the utmost, during the prevalence of the disease," and refers with gratitude to the fact that "God spared all the children to recover, and that none of the workers were attacked by it." The whole church will unite with him and his co-workers. in rendering thanks to our gracious Heavenly Father for his goodness to the mission in this trying time.

The number of scholars enrolled during the year was 63. The number of days the school was in session was 281.

Music lessons were given the whole school daily, and one hour spent in industrial work.

One school day each week was devoted to the study of the Sabbath School lesson and other religious teaching.

9,606 Bible verses, and 546 questions in the Shorter Catechism, and 1095 in Brown's were memorized.

The presence of the small pox this year has emphasized the need of a hospital. A site for the building has been selected, and the contract for the quarrying and hauling of the stone has been let. It is expected that the building will be erected before winter and without debt. A number of friends have contributed money for this purpose. The disease has not entirely disappeared from the homes of the Indians.

Shortly after the opening of the school, Miss Mary A. Moore was taken down with an acute attack of nephritis. She returned to her home at Olathe, Kansas, but came back in March, insisting on taking up the work again. This proved too much for her strength. She has been obliged to return to Olathe, and much to the regret of her associates in the work, to sever her connection with the mission.

At our meeting in January, 1901, Rev. J. R. W. Stevenson was appointed Assistant Superintendent, until the meeting of Synod. This appointment was continued at our meeting, May 16, until November. He, accompanied by Mrs. Stevenson, reached the mission in February. They have rendered much needed assistance. Mr. Carithers writes that "they have adjusted themselves to the work in a manner that is very gratifying to us all, and is very valuable."

Mr. Carither's strength was not sufficient to allow him to attempt much pulpit work in addition to his other duties. Previous to Mr. Stevenson's arrival, prayer meeting was held. After that the pulpit work was resumed. Mr. Stevenson holds services in the Apache camp in the morning, and in the church at 3 p.m. After that, the sermon is usually repeated to the Comanches

The Lord's supper was dispensed on the 14th of April. There were none present from a distance. One of the regular workers, Mr. A. A. Logan, is an elder. There was an accession of nineteen. One was by certificate. Two were white. Fourteen of the new members were baptized. Thirteen children were also baptized, making a total of twenty-seven baptisms during the year.

The allotment of the lands was quite satisfactory. The friends of the mission are clustered around the church and school. A large majority of the members are in convenient reach of the services. This will make the work in the future "much easier and more effective."

The mission force is now as follows: Rev. W. W. Carithers, Superintendent; Rev. J. R. W. Stevenson, Assistant Superintendent; Miss Alice Carithers, Field Matron; Miss Fannie E. Thomas, Teacher; Miss Mary Willson, Matron; Mr. Arthur A. Logan and Mr. W. W. Humphreys, Farmers.

The Woman's Missionary Society of Pittsburg Presbytery continues to manifest the same deep interest in the mission as it has in past years.

Prof. J. M. Coleman, accompanied by his wife, visited the mission immediately after the close of the college year. "They spent much time," Mr. Carithers writes, "visiting the Indians in their homes, and gained their good will to a remarkable extent. He was quite successful in communicating Bible thought to them. Their summer's work was a profitable one for the mission."

"The workers," Mr. Carithers continues, "have been loyal to one another and to the work here, with a loyalty that is beyond all praise. Most of the Indians can hardly be called second to them. Developing fine Christian character as some of these have, it is a

privilege to be associated with such people in the Lord's work; and as some that are ripe for heaven are sweeping into the kingdom with the light of heaven on their faces, it is a joy to think that we have had some little part in bringing to them the message that so enriched their lives."

Mr. Carithers deserves great credit for the manner in which he has discharged the duties that devolved upon him in this crisis of the mission. In consequence of the constant and exacting work required of him, and the anxiety consequent thereupon, his health, which a year ago had been much impaired, has not improved, and he is now taking a much needed rest; so that he will not be able to be present at this meeting of Synod. The church, we are sure, will not cease to pray that he may be restored entirely to former health, and be able ere long to resume the work in which, by God's blessing, he has been so successful.

In closing our report, we would add that, while the record of the year has not been what we had expected at the beginning, we can see in all that has taken place the Lord's hand, and are prepared to say that while he has led us by a strange way, it has been a good way. To God be the glory.

Receipts.

From Congregations, &c		$3,893.33
Bequests		282.55
		$4,175.88
Balance overdrawn	$499.80	
Expenditures	4,119.44	
		$4,619.24
Balance overdrawn		$ 443.36

We ask for this mission $4,000.00.

CHINESE HOME MISSION.

At our meeting in July, 1900, a letter was received from Mr. I. A. Blackwood, declining the appointment of superintendent of this mission, made at Synod, at its last meeting. Mrs. Boreland, who was in charge when we made our report a year ago, was asked to continue in charge until some permanent arrangement could be made, assisted by such help as she could obtain.

She conducted the affairs of the mission to the entire satisfaction of the Board until the close of the year, when other duties necessitated her to resign. Indeed, she continued as long as she did in connection with the mission at no little inconvenience to herself, in order to prevent the work being dropped. Having learned that Rev. and Mrs. N. R. Johnston intended to return to Oakland in the beginning of the year, the Board appointed the latter to her former position as superintendent. She accepted the appointment, commenced work in January, 1901, and is still in charge.

The school is in good condition. There was an enrollment of forty. "There have been no baptisms during the year. Four young men are looking forward to a public profession of Christ as their Saviour." Mr. Johnston has rendered assistance in carrying on the work. The Board made an appropriation to him of $50.00 out of the mission funds as a recognition of his services.

Balance	$ 32.32
Receipts.	
From Congregations, &c	675.92
From Dividends	202.57
	$ 910.81
Expenditures	$ 705.75
Balance	$ 205.06

We ask for this mission $1,000.00.

JEWISH MISSION.

We have complied with Synod's directions with reference to the missions in Philadelphia and Cincinnati, forwarding the money as needed to their respective treasurers. The mission in Cincinnati has been temporarily suspended.

Balance	$ 512.26
Receipts.	
From Congregations, &c	976.39
From Bequests	202 50
	$ 1,691.15
Expenditures	$ 1,518.00
Balance	$ 173.15

Rev. J. W. Sproull, D.D., was appointed to represent the Board on the floor of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. Sproull, *Chairman.*
A C. Coulter, *Secretary.*
W. J. Coleman, *Cor. Secretary.*

JEWISH MISSION OF PHILADELPHIA.

During the past year the mission has been undergoing changes of more than usual interest. The community in which the mission has been located has suffered serious changes in the character of the population, and consequently in the deterioration of public morals, which have made the work difficult and discouraging.

After mature deliberation, the committee in charge resolved to remove the mission to another part of the city. Mrs. M. E. Metheny, to whom the property belonged, and who had generously given the church the use of it free of rent, empowered the committee to sell it, and retain for the purpose of another mission building, whatever might be obtained above $1800, one-half of the amount originally invested by Dr. D. Metheny.

The sale was effected at the price of $2,550, thus securing $750 for the new mission property, which was selected on the S. E. corner of 5th and Catherine Streets, the cost, including alterations and renovation, being about $7000. This amount, with the exception of about $700, has been obtained through the kindness of many friends, and has been applied to the property, thus leaving a debt of only $700, which also is provided for by subscriptions. The mission, therefore, has a home practically out of debt. The property has been deeded to the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian church, held in trust by Synod's Board of Trustees.

We look unto the Lord for new and larger measures of his blessing upon this department of his work. Our missionary and his devoted wife are greatly encouraged with the new prospects and advantages. The community is at present thickly settled by the Jews, and contains some of their churches and educational institutions, indicative of a permanent population.

The methods employed are such as are found in other Covenanter missions: Preaching the Word, Sabbath school, Industrial school, Night school, Dispensary, Preaching room, and Home visitation. We earnestly plead for the prayers of the church, on behalf of this people, the descendants of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, "to whom pertaineth the adoption, and the glory, and the covenants, and the giving of the law, and the service of God, and the promises; whose are the fathers, and of whom, as concerning the flesh, Christ came, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen."

Respectfully submitted, by order of Presbytery,

J. C. McFeeters,

Sec. of Com.

MISSION CONFERENCE.

The Mission Conference, composed of one delegate from each Presbytery and the members of the Central Board of Missions, at its meetings held on May 29 and 31, considered the applications by the Presbyteries, for aid for their weak congregations, and decided to recommend that supplements be granted as follows:

To N. B. and N. S. Presbytery:

For Cornwallis	$200.00	
For St. John	150.00	$350.00

To Iowa Presbytery :		
For Chicago (conditioned on their raising $220)	780.00	
For Vernon	100.00	
For Hickory Grove	150.00	1030.00
To Lakes Presbytery :		
For Bellecenter and Bellefontaine	350.00	
For Fairgrove (settlement, $300; stated supply, $200)	200.00	550.00
To Pittsburgh Presbytery :		
For McKeesport and Monongahela	500.00	
For Mercer and Adamsville	175.00	
For North Union	100.00	
For Youngstown	150.00	
For Oil Creek	100.00	
For East End	200.00	1,225.00
To Kansas Presbytery :		
For Kansas City	400.00	
For Billings	350.00	
For Quinter (an am't equal to that raised by Cong. for preaching, not to exceed).	200.00	
For Wahoo	300.00	
For Tabor	200.00	
For Holmwood (an am't eq'l to that raised by Cong. for preaching, not to exceed).	300.00	
For Topeka	500.00	2,250.00
To Ohio Presbytery :		
For Middle Wheeling	50.00	
For Muskingum and Tomica (on condition that Cong. raise $200 for preaching)	100.00	
For New Concord	200.00	
For Mansfield	100.00	450.00
To Colorado Presbytery :		
For Seattle	300.00	
For Denver	500.00	
For La Junta	300.00	1,100.00
To Vermont Presbytery :		
For Ryegate (an am't equal to that raised by Cong. not to exceed)	100.00	100.00
To Rochester Presbytery :		
For Lisbon	100.00	100.00
To Illinois Presbytery :		
For Staunton	300.00	
For St. Louis	400.00	700.00
To Philadelphia Presbytery:		
For Baltimore and Conocheague	200.00	200.00
		$7,955.00

The total amount recommended to be granted for the ensuing year is $7955.

The balance remaining due and unpaid on account of last year's appropriation is about $2,300. This makes it necessary to raise $10,255 for this year's work.

We estimate that there will be received from dividend an invested funds and from other sources, about $2,500, leaving 7,755 to be raised by collections from the Congregations. We ask for an appropriation of $8,000 for Domestic missions.

We recommend :

1st. That Clerks of Presbyteries be instructed to notify all congregations and mission stations receiving aid from the Domestic Mission Fund, that unless a statement of the amount of work done be forwarded to the clerks in time for them to report to the Central Board at its meetings in October, January, April and May, when distribution of funds will be made, no appropriation for aid for such negligent congregation will be forwarded until the next distribution is made; and also that treasurers be instructed to make payment of funds received from the Central Board only on vouchers received from clerks.

2nd. Inasmuch as Synod in defining the work of the Board of Sustentation and that of the Central Board of Missions, assigned to the former, those congregations which had pastors and needed aid and were unable to comply with the conditions, we urge presbyteries to carefully consider all applications for aid, in order that such settled congregations as can comply with the conditions may hereafter apply to the Board of Sustentation, and not receive aid from the Domestic Mission Fund. As the demands on the Board of Sustentation have of late increased, and are likely to increase still further, and in order that these demands may be promptly met, we urge pastors to present the claims of the fund and the merits of the system, to their congregations, and most heartily commend the fund to the liberality of the church We would call the attention of Presbyteries to the increase of stated supplies, and while the arrangement is intended only to be temporary, yet inasmuch as there is danger that such arrangement may interfere with permanent settlement, we urge presbyteries to endeavor to have pastors settled in congregations where this can be effected.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. COULTER, *Secretary.*
W. J. COLEMAN, *Cor. Secretary.*

The Committee on Foreign Missions reported. Adopted and is as follows :

Foreign Missions.

We have carefully reviewed the very full and satisfactory report laid before you by the Board of Foreign Missions, and desire once more to record our devout thanks to God for the encouraging state of the work which is so faithfully watched over by this Board.

The work, which was inaugurated amidst such great discouragements forty-five years ago, has, under the blessing of God, developed into a most important interest of the church.

We commend the continued zeal of the Board, manifested in unabating watchfulness of the work which they superintend; the missionaries in their unceasing labors, and the membership of the church, who have come under the "easy yoke" of Christ, for their earnest faith, and their patient endurance under sore trial. We commend the action of the officers of the Church in faithfully applying the discipline of Christ's house, and rejoice in the manifestations of divine favor already realized by the wise and faithful application of corrective discipline.

The value of the work done by our missionaries is manifest in the opposition it has aroused; and the church at home owes it to the work, and to the workers abroad, that they be constantly remembered in the prayers of the church, and heartily supported by her generosity.

We make special mention of the loving service, so efficiently rendered by those on the field, which has been willingly added to their ordinary work, in order that co-workers might enjoy much needed rest at home.

We offer our sympathy and prayers to the faithful converts of the Tarsus Branch, who have endured persecution and imprisonment, and commend them to Him who said: "in the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world." We promise the workers in Cyprus our continued support in the work in that island, and most heartily endorse the plans of the Board, looking toward the broadening of the work.

As to the work in China, we commend the Board for their prudent management of the same, and trust that what was begun in faith and much labor, may again be resumed. And we believe that the interruption of the work, as well as every other feature of discouragement will yet "work together for good."

We append the following resolutions:

1 We appeal most earnestly to the whole church on behalf of our great work in Syria, Asia Minor, Cyprus and China, and ask that the claims of this interest, *which is ours*, will enjoy their constant consideration. We ask them to remember the missions daily in their prayers. We urge them to place in the treasury of the mission the money that is needed for carrying on and *enlarging* of the work, so that our church may be made glad in the harvest thus made possible.

2. We endorse the plan of the Board in reference to the increasing of the number of workers to be sent to the different fields, and approve of that part of the plan which contemplates the sending of a lady missionary to China, when Mr. and Mrs. Robb return, and a man in 1902.

3. That J. J. McKeown be appointed to fill the place of Thomas E. Greacen on the Board, and that Rev. W. M. George,

of Brooklyn, Rev. I. A. Blackwood, of 4th, New York, and Robert McNeil, of 3rd, New York, be added to the Board.

4. That Dr. Sommerville be heard on behalf of the claims of the board.

Respectfully submitted,

T. P. Robb,
J. M Foster,
C. M. Smith,
W. S. Turner,
S. S. Smith.

REPORT OF FOREIGN MISSION BOARD.

Any one riding on May day of this year over the Allegheny Mountains and down the Valley of the Juniata would have seen in the hills and meadows that a few months ago were bleak and unpromising, but then green with springing grass and dotted with trees full of many-colored blossoms, a picture of our mission fields to-day. Evidently that valley was hard to cultivate, the rocky soil yielding results only to the sleepless toil of the original settlers and their descendants. Even the few fields that showed fairest to the eye of the traveler are capable of far higher cultivation, and their greatest possibilities will be seen only with an increase of skilful farmers, and a more generous expenditure of labor and money.

Forty-five years ago, two ministers, men of culture and consecration, went to Syria, and, after exploring other places, determined to settle in Northern Syria, confessedly the hardest mission field in the world. Through the power of the Holy Spirit those hardy pioneers were able to draw some of the pagan Nusairia away from idolatry to the service of the true God, and there was great rejoicing in the home Church. Their successors, no less devoted, were able, with the added machinery of boarding schools and medicine, to bring more of that hated race into contact with the truth, and, in some instances, under its saving influences. To-day there are spiritual oases in that desert land, and not a few trees of righteousness in full bloom that arrest attention, as foreshadowing much fruit to the glory of God. But the Church cannot hope to witness the resultant possibilities of its missionary enterprise, without a more complete surrender of men and money to that service.

The most formidable obstacle to successful work in Latakia center last year was the opening of schools under Russian influence, and the consequent defection of three of our most experienced teachers. It appears from the report of the mission that "property had been set apart or bequeathed in Russia for the benefit of the Holy Sepulcher in Jerusalem." As the income from the property had been "grossly misappropriated," the Russian Government determined to take control of the fund, and "not wishing to divert the money from something like its original purpose, caused a society to be formed to open schools throughout Palestine and Syria." "On coming to Latakia," writes Mr.

Stewart, "the Society found the Greek church unable or unwilling to support its own schools, and took full control of them on condition that the Greeks should furnish the necessary buildings. It pays the salaries of the teachers and furnishes books free of charge, gives special attention to instruction in the orthodox faith and traditions, and is supposed to be able to confer certain political advantages." This was too strong a temptation to resist, and three teachers fell. They were dismissed from the service of the Mission and soon the Latakia Church suspended them from full privileges. Their defection, however, did no permanent injury, and the wise and temperate exercise of discipline has already borne good fruit.

Two of these men have placed their girls in our school again, and one of them, having expressed a desire to return to the Church, has, on confessing his sin, been received on probation for six months.

The fair promises of the Russian Schools occasioned a falling off in the attendance at the day schools in town, but did not affect those in the outlaying stations. On the contrary, an increase is reported in those places, notably at Tartous, in the Southern part of the field, where the work, under the direction of Licentiate Juraideny, "a man of sterling Christian character and mighty in the Scriptures," is rapidly growing in importance.

The boarding schools in Latakia suffered to some extent from Russian influence on the Greek families in town, and the hostility of the Turkish authorities to the education of the Nusairia, and yet they are able to report 45 boys and 40 girls, exclusive of day pupils. It is the known policy of the Board to have these schools under the care of the lady missionaries that the ministers may be free to travel throughout the length and breadth of the land preaching the Word. It was necessary for Mr. Stewart to look after the boys during the past year, that Miss Edgar might take charge of the girls' school in the absence of Miss Wylie, on furlough in this country, but on her return to the field in September, Miss Edgar will be reinstated in her old position at the head of the boys' school. That she may have suitable rooms on the ground, where she can supervise the work and yet not have her living apartments on the same floor as the boys' dormitory, the Board has complied with the request of the Mission to build a small house near the main building, for which an official permit has been granted, and the full cost of which will be met by the chairman of the Board.

In this center the gospel was preached in many ways and to good audiences. But opposition to this form of work among the Nusairia, recently asserted itself at Bahamra, where the building erected by Rev. Mr. Lyde, of London, before our missionaries entered the field, was deliberately destroyed by a body of mounted police. Whether they were acting under orders from the Government is not known. But the people there are filled with fear. Notice has been given to the American consul at Beirut.

The Lord's Supper was administered four times and eight were added to the Church. There are now 190 native communicants.

In Suadia center very effective work was done under the direction of Miss Cunningham. On the return of Rev. J. Boggs Dodds in November, 1900, he bore witness to the "fidelity and ability of the one lone worker." But these words are too feeble to express her services to the Church. It gives only an inadequate idea of their value to say that she supervised two schools of 41 boys and 28 girls, conducted every week a woman's meeting with an enrolled attendance of 100, and never less than 45 present, and held clinics three times a week with an average attendance of 30 persons. While Mr. Dodds was away she held the field alone, meeting the difficulties that confronted her with heroic faith, and discharging her varied duties with such manifest power as to compel conviction if not confession of the truth.

Public worship was conducted regularly, and the Lord's Supper was administered once. There are at present 15 native communicants. A noteworthy feature of the work in Suadia is the liberality of the native members, "the average contribution being a little more than the wages of a day laborer for seventeen days."

According to the annual statement of Tarsus Mission, the trials in that field have consisted largely in the arrest and temporary imprisonment of leading teachers, with the obvious design of retarding the progress of the work. These efforts, however, were ineffectual. The attendance at the schools in Tarsus and Adana was lowered a little, but the schools in Mersina, under the care of the Misses Sterrett and McNaughton, were not disturbed. They report 134 boys and 110 girls, counting day and boarding pupils.

In addition to the preaching of Mr. Dodds, an evangelist at Auba holds a public service in his own house every Sabbath, and during the week reads and expounds passages of Scripture to the villagers. His sister-in-law, who was under the instruction of Miss Sterrett for many years, takes pleasure in reading to the women, thus seeking to bring them to a knowledge of the truth. In Adana the native brethren meet together nearly every night for prayer and reading the Scriptures, and Mr. Dodds speaks of "134 adults there instructed in the principles of the gospel." While the attendance at the regular services of the Mission was, for many reasons, smaller than in former years, there was a manifest improvement for a few Sabbaths before the report was made. The Lord's Supper was administered twice in Tarsus and once in Mersina, Guzne and Adana. There was an accession of seven, making a roll of 76 communicants.

The brethren in Cyprus are pushing the work with great energy, and in every direction. The gospel is preached in the leading centers of population with many tokens of the Divine favor. In this way and through colportage, the missionaries are seeking to fill the island with the word of God. There are twenty-one native communicants, three added during the year. Here, as in Suadia, the liberality of the native members is worthy of commendation,

their offerings for the year amounting to $73, or about $3.50 a member.

With the permission of the Board, a school was recently opened at Larnaca, with a registered attendance of twenty-five pupils in the day time, and eighteen at the night sessions. It is at present in charge of Rev. A. Agyptiades, a graduate of the Scotch Theological Seminary at Malta, highly recommended, and a man of considerable experience as a teacher and a preacher. The aim is to make this institution entirely self-supporting and an effective evangelistic agency.

Ever since the inception of this Mission, the Greek Church has displayed bitter hostility, and the burning of the chapel late Saturday night, April 6, evidently the work of an incendiary, seems to give some of its adherents peculiar satisfaction. As there was no insurance on the building, it is a total loss, and the interests of the Mission demand that steps should be taken to rebuild at once. The government has expressed a determination to ferret out the guilty parties, and the press is loud in its denunciation of the crime. But good words will not restore the house of worship. Money is needed for that purpose.

Another minister is required on the island, and a licentiate has offered his services. It gives us great pleasure to say in this connection, that the Third Church of the Covenanters in Philadelphia, which pledged itself a year ago to support a foreign missionary, has recently written the Board nominating a candidate, and suggesting that he be sent to this field. Action on this request, which means an enlargement of the work, will be taken at our meeting in June.

In these three fields at the head of the Mediterranean there are 5 ministers, 2 physicians. 6 women, not counting wives, 2 ordained native preachers, 4 native licentiates, 2 organized churches, 302 communicants, 18 added this year, 672* adherents and 611* children under instruction.

About a month after the last meeting of Synod, Dr. S. A. S. Metheny tendered his resignation, to "take effect Aug. 1, 1900." The reasons given for that step were daily attacks of asthma while in the field, which would eventually render it impossible for him to do the work that ought to be done, and the illness of his son, whom eminent physicians in Scotland advised him not to take back to Turkey.

This vacancy in Tarsus Mission should be filled as soon as possible. Through the agency of the medical departments in Syria and Cyprus, thousands have been brought into contact with the truth and heard the message of life in Christ, as religious services are never omitted at the clinics.

Other interesting facts and methods of missionary operation that can only be outlined in this Report, will be found in the annual statements of the Missions, and demand careful study.

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*Full statistics not having been received from Tarsus Mission, these figures may be a fraction too small.

A word or two is necessary as to the work in China. Early in the summer of 1900, a letter was received from Rev. Elmer McBurney, tendering his resignation on the ground of his wife's continued ill health, and the uncertainty of her being able to return to the field. The resignation was accepted, and Mr. McBurney came home. About the same time the Board had determined to recall the missionaries, owing to the threatening aspect of affairs in the empire. Mr. Robb was very reluctant to abandon his post, but urged by friends in Canton, he hastily put things in order; and having secured the seal of the Chinese magistrate to the new building at Tak Hing Chau, which was nearly completed, left with his family for Hong Kong. Unable to find suitable accommodations there, he took the steamer for Japan, and rested for a few weeks at Karnizawa. But when the season closed at that resort and there was no prospect of an immediate resuming of work in China, he decided to come to America, and arrived at Seattle, Washington, Wednesday, Oct. 17, 1900.

Mr. Robb kept up correspondence with friends in Canton, and learning, toward the close of March, that missionaries were going back to their fields, he felt that he, too, should be at his post, and with the approval of the Board, made preparations to leave in April. Another message from China, however, showed that the way was still blocked, and the Board concluded that it was not wise to run any risks, and advised him to remain till the autumn of the year. It is hoped that there will be nothing to prevent his departure in September, with Miss Torrence, missionary-elect, and, we would like to add, another minister and a physician. The Board has been talking about sending a woman at that time as medical missionary, to be followed by a man, who has offered his services, but will not be ready to go till 1902. Will the Synod endorse such an arrangement?

In closing, special attention is called to the financial condition of the Missions. At the close of the fiscal year the Treasury of the Mission to China showed a balance of $4,234 in its favor. The Treasury of the Syrian Mission, on the other hand, showed an overdraft on the current account fund of $13,341, as against $8,038 the previous year. The reason does not appear on the surface, but a careful examination of the financial report will make it clear. The receipts were $2,850 less than those reported twelve months ago. While the congregational collections were hundreds of dollars larger, there was a falling off in individual offerings, special contributions and dividends from invested funds, sources of income that cannot be relied upon as uniform. Then there was an added expenditure for salaries of at least $1.300. Comparing the financial report for 1901 with the reports of the last five years, it is seen that the expenditure for missionary expenses in Latakia, which looks so large, is only normal, and actually $1,000 less than the appropriation of the Board, that reported a year ago being from $1,200 to $2,200 less than formerly. The large amount charged to missionary expenses in Tarsus is chiefly owing to the fact that the Treasurer was unexpectedly called to pay a debt that had been contracted there some time ago.

The different showing of the financial reports of the Missions is due to some extent to the manner in which the treasurer makes his remittances. He does not remit at specified dates, but sends money as nearly as possible when it is needed, sometimes in demand bills and at other times in seventy-day sterling exchange. The latter would cost a trifle less than a demand bill, and would mature in time for use, but the Treasury would be debited, whereas the same remittance on demand might not be made till after April 1, and the Treasury would have just so much less debit.

It is very gratifying to be able to say, however, that at a meeting of the Board, held Tuesday, May 14, the Treasurer reported receipts since the close of the fiscal year large enough to reduce the overdraft to $8,856.

Respectfully submitted,
In the name of the Board.
R. M. SOMMERVILLE, *Cor. Sec.*

Colorado Presbytery reported. Referred to the proper committees.

The Special Committee on Chinese exclusion reported. Adopted and is as follows:

Chinese Exclusion.

The Committee to whom was referred the paper concerning the exclusion of the Chinese would respectfully report. That while we do not see any immediate opportunity of pressing the matter before Congress, yet for the sake of bearing a consistent testimony against a great and crying wrong, and arousing the public mind with reference to it, we recommend that Synod adopt the paper presented by Mr Chesnut.

We further submit a petition* to the Senate and House of Representatives of Congress, praying the repeal of the Chinese Exclusion Act, and urge all our pastors to transcribe it, and have it signed in their congregations and vicinity so far as there may be opportunity.

PETITION.

To the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress Assembled:

We citizens of these United States do humbly memorialize and petition your Honorable bodies to repeal the Chinese Exclusion Act for the following, among many other reasons:

I. This Act contradicts God's original creative plan, when he endowed all men with the natural and inalienable right to life, the enjoyment of liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Psalm 24, 1. "The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof."

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* NOTE.

This petition when signed to be sent to any one of the respective persons named in the Resolutions.

II. It makes an invidious and cruel exception of the Chinese, while people of every other nation are permitted to enter, travel or make their homes in our land. What wrong has the poor Chinese done us, that we should discriminate so unkindly against him ?

III. The just law of retribution would prevent the merchant of this country from going to China to trade or the Christian Minister from going there to preach the gospel, for Confucius himself has said, " do nothing to another that you would not be willing that he should do to you "

IV. While we readily admit that there should be exceptions made in our immigration laws as with reference to paupers, persons afflicted with infectious diseases, anarchists, and all who are enemies to our government, we feel it to be exceedingly unjust and wrong to discriminate against the people of any one nation alone.

H. H. GEORGE,
J. M. FOSTER,
A. J. MCFARLAND,
R. J. WYLIE,
D. CHESNUT.

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, there exists an unjust legal discrimination in the United States against the Chinese, and in as much as the Rev. N. R. Johnston, an honored Father and constituent member of this Court, deeply interested in the Home Mission Work among the Chinamen on the Pacific Coast and throughout the land, is now engaged with others in a movement to arouse a public sentiment among the Christian people and others of this land, and through them to influence the Congress of the United States by petition or memorial, to make such changes or amendment to the Chinese Restriction Act as will afford to the Chinese the same rights, privileges and immunities as are accorded to people of other nations, and agreeably to the Divine law which says, " *Ye shall have one manner of law, as well for the stranger as one of your own country; for I am the Lord your God.*"—(Lev. 24:22) therefore,

Resolved, 1st: That this Synod is in hearty sympathy with any and all persons who by proper means seek the repeal or amendment of all existing laws and treaties by which the Chinese are deprived of " their " just rights, and stand ready, (as in the case of the Red man and Black man), to co-operate with others in securing from our country just treatment to these unoffending people coming from a distant land to our shores.

Resolved, 2nd: That this Synod direct Sessions of Congregations at any meeting thereof to take the vote or sense of such assemblage in reference to the amendment of the present laws and treaties unjustly bearing and trespassing upon the Chinese, and that the result thereof, comprising the number of such persons favorable to the change be certified on the petition hereafter referred to, under signature of the Chairman and Secretary, or Moderator and Clerk of such congregation.

Resolved, 3rd, That the Memorials or Petitions to be furnished or formulated for the purpose, shall, when the congregational vote be certified thereon, be forwarded to any one of the following persons, viz:

Rev. N. R. Johnston, Rev. A. J. McFarland, Kansas City, Dr. J. C. McCandless, Chicago, Rev. D. McAllister, Pittsburgh, and the Rev. J. M. Foster, Boston, who shall be a Committee to do what they may be able, during the coming year, for the cause of these strangers within our gates, and to arrange among themselves as to the time and manner of presenting the Memorial in the hands of Congress.

The invitation from Syracuse was taken from the table in connection with the motion to meet permanently in or near Pittsburgh. The invitation from Syracuse was accepted. The time for holding the next meeting was fixed, May 28, 1902, at 7.30 p m. The Mission Conference will be held at 10 a.m. of the same day. The recommitted report on Young People's Societies was submitted. Item 4 was amended and adopted. Item 5 was stricken out. During discussion the hour for devotional services arrived. The report was laid on the table for the present. A. S. Gilchrist led the meeting.

Recess was taken with prayer by R. C. Montgomery.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Synod came to order, and was opened with prayer by Solomon Kingston. The roll was called. The following failed to answer: R. A. Adams, Baird, Elsey, W. P. Johnston. McIsaac, Paden Raitt, Rea, D. J. Shaw, C. M. Smith, W. R. Sterrett, J. W. Young. Most of these soon appeared.

H. A. Young, D. C. Faris, W. M. Hunter, S. S. Smith, R. C. Montgomery and William Steele, were excused from attendance after this session.

Voted that speeches in ordinary discussion from this time on be limited to five minutes each.

The Committee on Supplies reported. Adopted and is as follows:

Supplies.

Your Committee respectfully reports as follows:

4 Presbyteries ask no supplies.

11 Licentiates and 12 unsettled ministers have been referred to your Committee for assignment to the Presbyteries, to supply a demand for the services of 7 men.

Synod will see the difficulty of making an assignment that will be satisfactory to all concerned. In harmony with the spirit of a rule formerly adopted by Synod "that Synod does not hold

itself under obligation to make appointments for Licentiates, who have preached for four years without a settlement," your Committee has given a preference in making their distribution to the recently licensed men, rather than to those who have during several successive years preached throughout the church.

We present the following scale of appointments:

R. J. McKnight: Rochester, June-August; Pittsburgh, September, October, February-May; Lakes, November and December; Philadelphia, January.

Clarke: Iowa, entire time.

McCarroll: Iowa, June; Lakes, July; Ohio, August.

McMillan, Kansas, June-August.

Mitchell, Pittsburgh, June-August; Ohio, September; Lakes, October-December: Iowa, January, February; Ohio, March and April.

W. G. Robb: Iowa, June, July; Lakes, August.

E. L. NcKnight: New York, June-August.

G. R. McBurney: Kansas, entire time.

Jack: Pittsburgh, June; Ohio, July, August; Lakes, September and October; Philadelphia, November and December; New York, January-May.

A. M. Thompson: Iowa, July; Illinois, August; Lakes, September; Ohio, October and November; Philadelphia, December and January; New York, February and March; Ohio, April; Lakes, May.

Isaiah Faris: Iowa, June and July: Rochester, August-October; New York, November and December; Pittsburgh, January and February; Lakes, March; Iowa, April and May.

E. M. Coleman: Ohio, June-August; Pittsburgh, September, October, January, February; Philadelphia, November, December; New York, March-May.

R. A. Paden: Kansas, entire time.

Fulton: Kansas, entire time.

Raitt: Iowa, June-August; Lakes, September; Ohio, October. Pittsburgh, November and December; New York, January-May.

W. McFarland: Rochester, June and July; New York, August and September; Philadelphia, October and November; Pittsburgh, December and January; Ohio, February-April.

J. Ralston Wylie: Kansas, June and July; Iowa, August and September; Lakes, October; Ohio, November and December; Pittsburgh, January and February; Rochester, March; New York, April.

Benn: Lakes, June; Ohio, July: Illinois, August-May.

Rusk: New York, entire time.

McCartney: Philadelphia, September and October; Rochester, November, January.

A. W. Stevenson: Pittsburgh, June, August; Philadelphia, September-November.

Sherman: New York, June; Philadelphia, July and August; Rochester, September; Pittsburgh, October and November; Ohio December; Lakes, January and February; Iowa, March-May.

J. R. W Stevenson: Kansas, November and December; Ohio, January and February; Lakes, March and April; Illinois, May.

R. C. Allen; Pittsburgh, June-November; Ohio, December, January; Iowa, February and March; Lakes, April and May.

J. McCracken,
W. J. McKnight,
S. J. Johnston,
J. C. George,
C. J. Love,
Committee.

A collection of $23.00 for the janitor was lifted.

The Committee on Traveling Fund submitted a partial report which was accepted.

It was resolved that a committee with R. M. Sommerville as Chairman, be appointed to report next year upon the state of religion.

The report of the Committee on Sabbath-schools and Young People's Societies was taken up. Adopted, and is as follows:

Sabbath Schools and Young People's Societies.

Your Committee on Sabbath Schools and Young People's Societies would report on these matters severally:

1. SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Catechetical instruction occupies an important place in the history of religion. It is one of the Divinely appointed means of advancing the Kingdom of God. Its value has been tested by experience, for we may note that the state of religion in any given age corresponds exactly with the faithfulness with which the truth has been taught catechetically. For awakening sinners and quickening saints, the preaching of the Word must always be the pre-eminent agency; but we may well say with Archbishop Usher, that "the neglect of catechising is the frustrating of the whole work of the ministry." The success of Christianity after its first establishment was largely due to the influence of religious schools in which truth was communicated by question and answer. Historians agree that the religious decline of the Middle Ages followed the substitution of ritualism for the simpler methods of instruction, while the Reformation came with the return to the plain teaching of the Word. The subsequent lapse of faith during the latter part of the seventeenth and the early years of the eighteenth centuries was co-incident with a disuse of interlocutory teaching—a policy that was deprecated by the best men of that time as liable to bring spiritual famine. The Socratic method is as needful in religious as in secular education, for history teaches unequivocally that preaching is not sufficient to secure permanent results. Christ

sent forth the disciples to teach as well as to preach, and this commandment they obeyed to the letter. Wherever the Church fails to do so too, the Truth suffers an eclipse.

It was in the midst of such conditions, and with a view to their reformation, that in 1780 the Sabbath School was established. Its founders claimed for it no originality. Schools of a similar character had existed centuries before, as had the work which it revived from the earliest ages. It simply represents the catechetical idea in its modern development. So long as it exemplifies this method of instruction that must ever accompany preaching, it has the charter of its life in the Great Commission.

The statistics of our own Sabbath Schools are not included in this Report, as your Committee were not informed that they were expected until too late to secure them. However, from former reports and other sources of information, we are encouraged to utter the following testimony:

1. Synod rejoices that almost without an exception the Word is studied catechetically by all of the congregations under her care, and regrets that even one should be without a Sabbath School, or that one member in any congregation should neglect this means of grace.

2 Synod recommends, in addition to the systematic study of the Word, diligence in committing the Catechisms and the Psalms, urges effort to increase the efficiency of our Schools by every worthy method, and desires especially to see improvement in the art of teaching We commend the wisdom of the Board and Professors of the Seminary in providing for young men entering the ministry of our church, a special course of instruction in the nature and work of the Sabbath School, and the Pastor's relation thereto.

3. Synod lays upon Sabbath School workers the burden of souls, reminding them of their opportunities to enforce the messages of the pulpit, and of reaching hearts that might be otherwise untouched; while we invoke upon them the blessing of Christ who alone can fully reward their unselfish work of faith and labor of love.

4. Synod reminds her people that the sphere of the Sabbath School is limited. It should not usurp the place that belongs to the preaching service it is intended to supplement, not to supplant, family training. It does not relieve pastors and sessions of the duty of catechising in the homes of their people, and we hereby testify against all for whom the Sabbath School is the only surviving representative of this method of teaching.

2. YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

The proper exponent of the modern "Young People's Movement" is the modern Young People Society. This organization, like the Sabbath School, has been raised up in these latter days to exemplify certain truths that were suffering neglect. It is a legitimate child of the Church. Their relation is that of mother and daughter who dwell together, their spheres co-existent, their in-

terests identical, their life one. From this it follows that the Church should be to the Young People's Society all that the parent owes to the child, and the Young People's Society should be to the Church all that the child owes to the parent. Only when these correlative rights and duties are recognised and honored on both sides can the relation out of which they grow be maintained to the mutual benefit of both. Nature itself teaches that the mother who allows her children to take care of themselves, grow up as they will, find their own interests, choose their own relationships and adopt their own mode of life, must suffer the consequences of her own neglect. The same is true of the Church and her offspring. The only hope that Young People's Societies will be any blessing to the Church, or do the work for which they have been organized, is the willingness of the Church to be a dutiful mother toward them. With her rests the responsibility both for their future and for her own. Neglected children will give their allegiance to whoever claims it; but if the home is made attractive, if family life is what it should be, they will prefer home interests and fellowships above all others. Believing this, various denominations have given their Young People's Societies children's rights to the extent of advising and directing their activities. In 1886 the Protestant Episcopal Church organized "The Brotherhood of St. Andrew;" in 1888 the Reformed Church organized "The Brotherhood of St. Andrew and Peter;" in 1889 the Universalist and the United Presbyterian Churches each organized a Young People's Christian Union;" in 1890 the United Brethren and the Methodists organized respectively a "Young People's Christian Union," and the "Epworth League;" in 1891 the Baptists organized their "Baptist Young People's Union;" in 1895 the Lutherans organized their "Luther League;" in the Southern Presbyterians organized their "Westminster League;" and within recent years our sister Church in Ireland has organized their "Covenanter Union."

The Covenanter Church in America wishes to be a true mother to the children God has given to her. When the Synod of 1898 placed our Young People's Societies under the control of Sessions and recommended the formation of Presbyterial Covenanter Young People's Unions, some assurance was then given them that they at least were not orphans. The Church also may be congratulated that her neglect has not cost all that it might. Fully one-half of our present organizations report themselves as sustaining relations to their mother Church alone, and regulating their affiliations by her teaching and example. Of these the larger part have the name "Covenanter" in their official title. In harmony with Synod's action above quoted, Rochester Presbytery has formed a Union embracing all of the societies under its care. Since last Synod five Sessions have organized Covenanter Young People's Unions.

We offer for adoption these recommendations:

1. That we recognize as under the jurisdiction of the Church all young people's organizations that may exist within her bounds;

that the Church, through her courts, owes to them maternal care and provision; and that to her spiritual authority they owe filial obedience in whatever she may advise or direct.

2. That while Synod has allowed Sessions "to determine in their wisdom the name, form of organization, services and relations" of the individual societies, it is intended that these shall be in harmony with the historic testimony and practice of the Church as expressed in her standards and interpreted by her courts.

3. That we remind our young people that in their work they represent the denomination of which they are a part; and that denominational loyalty consists in devotion to her principles and obedience to her authority.

4. That while leaving to Sessions the responsibility of controlling the interdenominational or undenominational fellowship of the Young People's Societies under their care, we recommend Presbyteries to secure the organization of all Societies of Young People in Presbyterial Unions in loyal recognition of the primary authority and inclusive scope of the vows taken by our members when uniting with the Church, and we counsel all Sessions and Societies to guard against the corrupting influence of any and all false teaching and unscriptural practice, and especially against anything in the matter of praise contrary to the principles of our church.

T. M. Slater,
of the Committee.

The Committee on Finance reported. Sections I and II adopted. Upon Section III G. M. Robb of the Committee presented a minority report. The majority report was received. Mrs. M. E. McKee, representative of the Reformed Presbyterian Women's Association was heard. An amendment to Section III was offered. During the discussion the hour of adjournment arrived.

McNaugher, Fyffe, J. C. George, Dougherty, R. C. Reed, J. M. Foster, Conner and Thomas Patton were excused.

Arrangements for the missionary meeting this evening were completed. Adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at nine o'clock Prayer by W. S. Fulton.

Wednesday, June 5.

MORNING SESSION.

Synod came to order and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The minutes were read and approved.

Discussion of the amendment to Section III was resumed. Mrs. S. R. Sloan, Recording Secretary of the Reformed Presbyterian Women's Association was heard. A substitute was offered and adopted. Items 1-5 of Section 4 were adopted. Item 6 amended by striking out. The report was adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

Finance.

Your Committee on Finance respectfully report that the following papers and items have been referred to us :

1. Reports of Walter T. Miller, Treasurer of the following funds : Syrian Foreign Mission, Foreign Mission in China ; Temporary Investment Foreign Mission ; Syrian Hospital ; Mersine Hospital ; Building Fund of Mission in China ; Church Erection Fund and Literary Fund.

2. Report of John T. Morton, Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of Synod.

3. Report of Synod's Board of Trustees.

4. Report of Anna M. Sproull, Treasurer of the Woman's Association of the Reformed Presbyterian Church.

5. Report and Memorial of the Woman's Association of the Reformed Presbyterian Church.

6. Report of R. C. Wylie, Financial agent of the National Reform Association.

7. Financial part of report of the Western Section of the Alliance of Reformed churches.

8. Financial items from reports of Presbyteries.

9. Resolution with reference to payment for services of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

10. To suggest provision for payment of $15 to meet expense of printing, etc. of the General Committee on Revision of the Metrical Psalms.

11. Items from Board of Foreign Missions, Central Board of Missions, Board of Control.

12. Items from Committees on National Reform, Theological Seminary, Geneva College, Church Erection, Sustentation.

13. Request to recommend ways and means to aid East End (Pittsburgh) in payment of $700 interest on debt.

14. Request of Denver congregation, endorsed by Colorado Presbytery, for $1,000 from the Church Erection Fund to reduce church debt.

15. Item relating to expense of publication of Selections of Psalms.

I. The reports of Walter T. Miller, John T. Morton and Mrs. Anna M. Sproull came to us prepared with neatness and great care. They had been audited and found correct. The report of R. C. Wylie was neatly prepared, but not audited. This, with the Treasurers' book, was audited and found correct. We recommend the publication of all these reports in the minutes of Synod.

We find, by examination, that the Board of Trustees has carried out the instructions given at last Synod.

II. As to items in the report of the Board of Trustees, referred to us we recommend :

1. That the $859.42, being $500 principal, with interest from September 1st, 1888, on note given by an unnamed donor and "left in trust for the Foreign Mission," be passed over to the Treasurer of Foreign Missions, and credited to the Current Account, Syrian Mission.

2. That Synod approve of the sale as made of the *David Gregg real estate.*

3. That the Clerk be instructed to cast the unanimous ballot of Synod for John T. Morton, J. A. McAteer, and Samuel McNaugher, to serve as members of the Board of Trustees for three years, ending June 15, 1904.

III. The Memorial of the Woman's Association of the Reformed Presbyterian Church was taken up in connection with the 21st item of the Report of the Board of Trustees. After careful consideration of the whole matter we recommend the adoption of the following :

Resolved, That the Women's Association be instructed to submit in connection with the Board of Trustees of Synod, the charter of the Women's Association to the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County or as the highest legal and judicial authority that can be obtained in order to have advice as to the question — is any property said association may acquire thoroughly safeguarded to the R. P. Church by the present charter, and if not, what changes are necessary that the Church's interests be protected, and that the decision be reported to Synod at its next meeting.

Mrs. M. E. McKee has been appointed to represent the Women's Association of the Reformed Presbyterian Church on the floor of Synod.

IV. With reference to various items referred to your committee, we recommend as follows :

1. That all applications for aid from the Aged Ministers, and the Widows and Orphans Funds be referred to the Board of Control.

2. That $60, our share of expenses of Alliance of Reformed churches be paid out of the Literary Fund, and that $15, our share of expenses of General Committee on Revision of the Metrical Psalms be paid out of the same fund ; and inasmuch as this fund is overdrawn, that a collection be taken at as early a date as convenient to replenish the fund.

3. That the Board of Trustees be authorized to pay their Secretary, Daniel Chesnut, $500 per annum for his services, commencing with the beginning of the fiscal year.

4. We recommend to the consideration of the Board of Church Erection the application of Denver congregation for $1,000 to reduce their church debt, which application is endorsed by Colorado Presbytery ; and also the application of East End (Pittsburgh) congregation for $700 to pay interest on their church debt.

5. That the Clerk of Synod draw an order on the Literary Fund for $140 in favor of Dr. D. McAllister for printing of Selections of Psalms ordered by Synod.

6. That the rules adopted by the Board of Control be approved.

We further recommend that T. P. Robb and R. P. McClemment, whose terms expire at this meeting, be re-elected, as their own successors as members of this board.

7. That we approve of the recommendations of the Mission Conference : we also recommend that the request of Iowa Presbytery for $100 for Vernon congregation be granted, and we urge congregations to increased liberality in supporting the missions of the Church in our own land.

8. That the balance in the hands of D. S. Faris, agent of Synod, collected for repairs of the graveyard in South Carolina be turned over to the Treasurer of Synod.

V. That the scale of collections for the ensuing year be as follows:

Literary Fund, June, Third Sabbath	$ 1.500.00
Aged Ministers' Fund, July, First Sabbath	1,500.00
Geneva College repairs, July, Third Sabbath	1.500.00
Widows and Orphans, August, First Sabbath	2,000.00
Aged People's Home, August, Third Sabbath	1,000 00
Indian Mission, September. First Sabbath	4,000 00
Jewish Mission, September, Third Sabbath	1,500.00
Domestic Mission, October, First Sabbath	8.000 00
Chinese Home, October, Third Sabbath	1,000.00
Southern Mission, November, First Sabbath	5,000.00
Theological Seminary, November, Third Sabbath	1,500.00
Syrian Mission, December, First Sabbath	15.000.00
Library Fund, December, Third Sabbath	500 00
National Reform, January, First Sabbath	5,000.00
Mission in China, January, Third Sabbath	5,000.00
Testimony Bearing, February, First Sabbath	4,000.00
Geneva College, February, Third Sabbath	3,000 00
Sustentation Fund, March, First Sabbath	5,000.00
Church Erection, April, First Sabbath	4,000.00

Respectfully submitted,

C. D. Trumbull,
G. M. Robb,
R. H. Martin,
Wilson Dougherty,
William Pollock.
Committee.

The Clerk cast the unanimous ballot of Synod for John T. Morton, J. A. McAteer, and Samuel McNaugher to serve as members of the Board of Trustees, for three years, ending June 15, 1904.

To the Moderator and Members of Synod, of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America, to meet in the Eighth Street Reformed Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh, Pa., May 29th, 1901.

DEAR BRETHREN :— Herewith find my ninth annual report as Treasurer of "The Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America," for the year commencing May 1, 1900, and ending April 30, 1901, which has been audited by a committee of said Board of Trustees, whose certificate is hereto attached.

During the year the funds have earned $17,032.06, which would be equal to 5-77-100% on the amount of Endowment Funds, but there is unpaid of this amount $2,192.00.

The Board has declared a dividend on Endowments of $295,226 79 (as shown on balance sheet), of 5% from the cash revenue received and credited to interest account during the year, amounting to $14,761.33.

The real estate given by David Gregg as an Endowment Fund to various items of Church work, was sold for $160,500.00 by Synod's Board in the month of November, last year. This was regarded by the Board as fair value for the property.

After paying various expenses connected therewith there was left $157,015.73, which, according to terms of the gift was to be reinvested in Bonds and Mortgages.

The real estate for the year netted $2,063.55, which has been distributed as instructed by donor.

The following donations and bequests have been received during the year, and will be found in detail, together with their terms, on pages 8, 9, and 11. They are as follows :

Walter T. Miller, balance of gift to Geneva College.....			$3,000 00
and interest on same.....			123 60
Total.....			$3,123 60
Donation to be credited to New Concord R. P. Cong.			
Amount paid last year.....	$150 00		
Amount paid this year.....	350 00		
		$500 00	
And interest on same.....		359 42	
			$ 859 42
Donation. (Name not to be given).			900 00
Donations—four—viz.:.....		$500.00	
		500.00	
		500.00	
		700.00	
			$2,200 00
Also a Real Estate Donation, value unknown.			
Mrs. Jane Kilpatrick Endowment Bequest.....			$ 100 00
(Formerly a member of Muskingum and Tomica Cong. O.)			
Mrs. Rebecca Jane Burneson Bequest, (late of Moon Township, Beaver Co., Pa,, $175.00), of this has been realized as yet only.....			15 00
Mrs. Sarah McLane Bequest (of Barnet, Vt , Cong.).....			11 00

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. MORTON, *Treas.*

PITTSBURGH, PA., May 1, 1901.

GENERAL ENDOWMENT ACCOUNT.

1900.				
May 1.	Balance		$298,226 79	
1901.				
Apr. 30.	Received during year :			
	Geneva College	$13,100 00		
	Indian Mission	1,500 00		
			14,600 00	
1901.				
May 1.	*Balance*			$312,826 79
			$312,826 79	$312,826 79

GENEVA COLLEGE ENDOWMENT.

1900.			
May 1.	Balance		$113,905 78
1900.			
June 4.	Cash, John Hunter, note in full $5,000		
June 4.	Cash, John Hunter, note in full 5,000		
			10,000 00
June 13.	Cash, Rev. R. C. Wylie, note in full. ..		100 00
Aug. 22.	Walter T. Miller Donation Account...		3,000 00
1901.			
May 1.	*Balance*	$127,005 78	
		$127,005 78	$127,005 78

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY ENDOWMENT.

1901.		
May 1.	*Balance*	$60,737 14

STUDENT'S FUND ENDOWMENT.

1901.		
May 1.	*Balance*	$15,808 76

FOREIGN MISSION ENDOWMENT.

1901.		
May 1.	*Balance*	$42,986 17

DOMESTIC MISSION ENDOWMENT.

1901.		
May 1.	*Balance*	$31,101 04

SOUTHERN MISSION ENDOWMENT.

1901.		
May 1.	*Balance*	$ 4,556 28

CHINESE MISSION ENDOWMENT.

1901.		
May 1.	*Balance*	$ 100 00

INDIAN MISSION ENDOWMENT.

1900.			
Aug. 31.	Mrs. Mary Lyon Lingo Bequest		$ 1,500 00
1901.			
May 1.	*Balance*	$ 1,500 00	

AGED MINISTERS ENDOWMENT.

1901.		
May 1.	*Balance*	$12,740 56

FUND FOR WIDOWS AND CHILDREN OF DECEASED MINISTERS ENDOWMENT.

1901.		
May 1.	*Balance*	$5,691 06

CHURCH EXTENSION ENDOWMENT.

1901. May 1.	*Balance*	$ 3,400 00

JAMES R. MCKEE MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT.
(For Widows and Children of Deceased Ministers.)

1901. May 1.	*Balance*	$ 2,000 00

JAMES R. MCKEE MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT.
(For Foreign Mission)

1901. May 1.	*Balance*	$ 1,000 00

IOWA PRESBYTERY ENDOWMENT.

1901. May 1.	*Balance*	$ 700 00

WILKINSBURG CONGREGATION ENDOWMENT.

1901. May 1.	*Balance*	$ 500 00

MRS. AGNES MCINROY ENDOWMENT.

1901. May 1.	*Balance*	$ 3,000 00

DAVID GREGG BEQUEST ENDOWMENT.

1900. May 1.	*Balance*		$200,000 00
1901. Apr. 19.	David Gregg Real Estate Endowment Acct	$ 42,984 27	
May 1.	*Balance*	157,015 73	
		$200,000 00	$200,000 00

DAVID GREGG ENDOWMENT BEQUEST MORTGAGE ACCOUNT.

1901. Apr. 30.	Loans: (Bonds and Mortgages)	$139,550 00	
1901. May 1.	*Balance*		$139,550 00

DAVID GREGG ENDOWMENT BEQUEST INTEREST ACCOUNT.

1901. Apr. 30.	Interest		$ 20 00
1901. May 1.	*Balance*	$ 20 00	

DAVID GREGG ENDOWMENT BEQUEST CURRENT ACCOUNT.

1900. May 1.	Balance	$ 27 00

Expenditures.

1900. June 14.	Cash, paid delinquent taxes for water rent on 414 Wood St., for 1899	$ 124 95
June 15.	Cash, paid County taxes for 1900	259 00
June 15.	Cash, paid water rent for 1900 on 414 Wood St.	21 00
Nov. 12.	Cash, paid Messrs. McFadden & Craig, plumbing 414 Wood St.	1 90
Nov. 26.	Cash, paid Messrs. W A. Herron & Sons, removing rubbish, stamps on lease and plumbers bill	16 10

Dec. 4.	Cash, paid Boon & Hill Co., roofing skylight and other repairs on 416 Wood St.	46 50	
Dec. 5.	Cash, paid purchaser, rent of 414 and 416 Wood St., beginning Nov. 26, and ending Nov. 30, 1900, per article of agreement relating to sale of property	62 50	
1901.			
Apr. 19.	Interest account, for attending to property, collecting rents, etc. Per order of Board	179 25	
	D. Gregg Real Estate Endowment Account, net revenue (15 shares at $197 57 per share)	2,963 55	

Receipts.

1900.			
Nov. 26.	Cash, rent 414 and 416 Wood St., Pgh., Pa., to Dec. 1, 1900		$ 3,597 75
	Cash, received from unexpired insurance policies		50 00
		$ 3,674 75	$ 3,674 75

DAVID GREGG REAL ESTATE ENDOWMENT ACCOUNT.

1900.		
May 1.	Balance	$200,000 00

Expenditures.

Nov. 26.	Cash, paid notary for acknowledging deed	50	
	Cash, paid for revenue stamps on deed	160 00	
	Cash, paid for recording mortgage	2 50	
	Cash, paid W. A. Herron & Sons, commission for selling property 414 and 416 Wood St., Pittsburgh, Pa.	3,210 00	
Dec. 7.	Cash, paid J. C. McCombs, atty, for services and expenses in connection with sale of property	24 00	
1901.			
Mar. 27.	Cash, paid J. C. McCombs, atty, for publishing in Pittsburgh Press notice of old mortgage on 414 and 416 Wood St.	17 62	
Apr. 17.	Cash, paid J. C. McCombs, atty, cost and services in matter of satisfying old mortgage and legacies	69 65	
Apr. 19.	Foreign Mission, 5 shares	$987 85	
	Domestic Mission, 3 "	592 71	
	Sustentation Fund, 1 "	197 57	
	Church Erection, 1 "	197 57	
	Theological Seminary 1 "	197 57	
	Southern Mission, 1 "	197 57	
	Chinese Mission, 1 "	197 57	
	Ministerial Widows and Orphan's Fund 1 share	197 57	
	Cent'l R. P. C., Ally, 1 "	197 57	
			$2,963 55

Receipts.

1900.			
Oct. 25.	Cash, on account of purchase of property		$ 5,000 00
Nov. 26.	Mortgage		100,000 00
Nov. 26.	Cash, balance of purchase money		55,500 00
1901.			
Apr. 19.	David Gregg Bequest Endowment		42,984 27
	David Gregg Endowment Bequest Current Acct		2,963 55
		$206,447 82	$206,447 82

MORTGAGE ACCOUNT.

1900.			
May 1.	Balance	$ 4,725 74	
1901.			
Apr. 30.	Cash, paid for loans during year	49,200 00	
1901.			
Apr. 30.	General Endowment Account		$ 14,600 00
Apr. 30.	Cash, received on loans during year		29,716 00
1901.			
May 1.	*Balance*		9,609 74
		$ 53,925 74	$ 53,925 74

ROBERT AIKEN PROPERTY ACCOUNT.

1900.			
May 1.	Balance	$ 675 17	
1901.			
Apr. 30.	Interest	40 50	
May 1.	*Balance*		$ 715 67
		$ 715 67	$ 715 67

REAL ESTATE ACCOUNT (4 SUSQUEHANNA ST., PITTSBURGH, PA.)

1900.			
May 1.	Balance	$ 2,409 86	
1901			
Apr. 30.	Cash, paid County taxes for 1900 $2 00		
	Repairs, etc. 11 28		
	Water rent 10 61		
	City taxes for 1901 28 32		
		$ 52 30	
	Interest Account, net amount of revenue, 1 year to 5-1-1901	135 80	
Apr. 30.	Cash, rent		$ 188 10
May 1.	*Balance*		2,409 86
		$ 2,597 96	$ 2,597 96

ST. JOHNSBURY, VT., R. P. CHURCH PROPERTY ACCOUNT.

1900.			
May 1.	Balance	$ 6,729 43	
1901.			
Apr. 30.	Cash, paid, water rent, repairs, etc.	105 44	
	Interest Account average Interest $404 40		
	Less interest on rent Acct. 184 26		
		220 14	
1901.			
May 1.	*Balance*		$ 7,055 01
		$ 7,055 01	$ 7,055 01

ST. JOHNSBURY, VT., R P. CHURCH PROPERTY RENT ACCOUNT.

1900.					
May 1.	Balance			$	2,923 33
1901.					
Apr. 30.	Cash, rents received during year				290 24
1901.					
May 1.	*Balance*	$	3,213 57		
		$	3,213 57	$	3,213 57

HOME FOR WIDOWS, ORPHANS, AND AGED PEOPLE OF R. P. CHURCH.

1900.					
May 1.	Balance	$	3,500 00		
Sept. 3.	Bond and Mortgage, Miss Sarah N. Arbuthnot, 6 months interest		105 00		
1901.					
Mar. 4.	Bond and Mortgage, Miss Sarah N. Arbuthnot, 6 months interest	$	105 00		
1900.					
Sept. 3.	Cash, per Mrs. Anna M. Sproull, Tr., 6 months interest			$	105 00
1901,					
Feb. 28.	Cash, per Mrs. Anna M. Sproull, Tr., 6 months interest				105 00
May 1.	*Balance*				3,500 00
		$	3,710 00	$	3,710 00

BOND AND MORTGAGE, MISS SARAH N. ARBUTHNOT.

1900.					
May 1.	Balance				$3,500 00
Sept. 3.	Home for Widows and Orphans Acct. 6 months interest, to 9-3-1900.				105 00
1901.					
Mar. 4	Home for Widows and Orphans Acct. 6 months interest to 3-3-1901				105 00
1900.					
Sept. 3.	Cash, remitted	$	105 00		
1901.					
Mar. 4.	Cash, remitted		105 00		
May 1.	*Balance*		3,500 00		
		$	3,710 00	$	3,710 00

MRS. REBECCA BROWN DONATION NO. 2, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

1900.					
May 1.	Balance			$	1,840 00
1901.					
May 1.	*Balance*	$	1,840 00		

LIFE INSURANCE POLICY.

1900.					
May 1.	Balance	$	1,840 00		
1901.					
May 1.	*Balance*			$	1,840 00

CASH DONATION

1900.					
May 1.	Balance			$	2,474 73
1901.					
May 1.	*Balance*	$	2,474 73		

REAL ESTATE DONATION.

1900.					
May 1.	Balance		$ 606 39		
1901.					
Apr. 30.	Cash, paid City, County and sprinkling taxes and water rent		71 01		
May 1.	*Balance*			$	677 40
			$ 677 40	$	677 40

DONATION IN MEMORY OF MRS. ISABELLA STEWART MARTIN.

(For Chinese Foreign Mission.)

1900.					
May 1.	Balance			$	282 38
Nov. 12.	Cash, paid notary for acknowledgment of deed	$ 50			
Nov. 16.	Walter T. Miller, Tr. Acct., proceeds of sale of part of farm	998 25			
			$ 998 75		
1901.					
Mar. 21.	Cash, paid notary fee, etc., in acknowledging deed	$ 1 10			
Apr. 15.	Cash, paid revenue stamps on deed	1 00			
Apr. 18.	Walter T. Miller, Tr. Acct., proceeds of sale of part of farm	689 15			
			691 25		
1900.					
Nov. 12.	Cash, proceeds of sale of part of farm				998 75
1901.					
Apr. 3.	Cash, on Acct. of sale of part of land	$200 00			
Apr. 10.	Cash, balance from sale of part of land	491 25			691 25
Apr. 30.	Income from farm				139 07
May 1.	*Balance*		421 45		
			$ 2,111 45	$	2,111 45

THOMAS CHRISTISON DONATION, GUTHRIE, WISCONSIN.

1900.					
May 1.	Balance			$	100 00
1901.					
May 1.	*Balance*		$ 100 00		

WALTER T. MILLER, DONATION, NEW YORK, N. Y.

(For Geneva College Endowment Fund.)

1900.					
Aug. 22.	Geneva College Endowment Acct.		$ 3,000 00		
	Geneva College Current Acct.		123 60		
	Cash, balance of Donation	$3,000 00			
	Cash, interest on same	123 60			
				$	3,123 60
			$ 3,123 60	$	3,123 60

MORTGAGE NOTE.

1900.				
May 1.	Balance		$	150 00
Aug. 1.	Cash, on account			75 00
Aug. 18.	Cash, on account			100 00
1901.				
Jan. 5.	Cash, balance of note in full			175 00
	"Donation Acct. to be credited to New Concord, O., R. P. Cong.	$ 500 00		
		$ 500 00	$	500 00

DONATION.

(To be credited to New Concord, O. R. P. Congregation.

1901.				
Jan. 5.	Sundries: Note	$500 00		
	Interest	359 42		
			$	859 42
1901.				
May 1.	*Balance*	$ 859 42		

The above donation is in trust for the Foreign Mission Board of said church. Our attorney says it may be used for either the Current or Endowment Funds of the church as Synod may direct.

DONATION ACCOUNT.

(Name not to be given.)

1900.				
Aug. 1.	Cash		$	900 00
1901.				
May 1.	*Balance*	$ 900 00		

We to pay the donor 4% interest during life. The principal or any balance we have at death to be used for current expenses of the Missions—Home and Foreign of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of N. A. (Old School), as the Synod may deem most needful.

DONATION ACCOUNT.

(Name not to be given.)

1900.				
Aug. 1.	Cash. *1st gift.* We to pay the donor 5% interest during natural life and at death the principal to be used for current expenses of the Missions—Home and Foreign of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of N. A. (Old School), as the Synod thereof shall deem most needful		$	500 00
Dec. 18.	Cash. *2nd gift.* On same terms as above			500 00
1901.				
Jan. 10.	Cash. *3rd gift.* The giver may draw any part or all of this $500 00 for support during life, the Board to pay interest at rate of 4% per annum; at death, balance, if any, of this $500 00 shall be used same as other gifts			500 00
1901.				
Feb. 13.	Cash. *4th gift.* On same terms as third gift			700 00
1901.				
May 1.	*Balance*	$ 2,200 00		
		$ 2,200 00	$	2,200 00

REAL ESTATE DONATION.

(Name not to be given.)

1900.			
Aug. 1.	Real Estate		$ 1 00
1901.			
May 1.	*Balance*	$ 1 00	

The terms of the above gift and distribution of proceeds to be reported in the future.

REAL ESTATE ACCOUNT.

1900.			
Aug. 1.	Real Estate Donation	$ 1 00	
1901.			
May 1.	*Balance*		$ 1 00

MRS. MARY LYON LINGO BEQUEST, HUTCHISON CO., S. D.

1900.			
May 1.	Balance		$ 1,507 55
1900.			
Aug. 1.	Indian Mission Current Account, Interest to credit of account transferred by order of Synod, 1900	$ 7 55	
Aug. 31.	Indian Mission Endowment Account, (Per order of Synod, 1900.)	$ 1,500 00	
		$ 1,507 55	$ 1,507 55

ARTHUR T. KILPATRICK BEQUEST, ALBIA, IA.

1900.			
May 1.	Balance		$ 60 00
1900.			
Aug. 1.	Domestic Mission Current Account	$ 40 00	
	Southern Mission Current Account	20 00	
	(Per order of Synod, 1900.)		
		$ 60 00	$ 60 00

MRS. ANNIE MELVIN BEQUEST.

(Late of Adamsville, Pa., Cong.)

1900.			
May 1.	Balance		$ 100 00
1900.			
Aug. 1.	Southern Mission Current Account	$ 50 00	
	Indian Mission Current Account (Per order of Synod, 1900)	50 00	
		$ 100 00	$ 100 00

BEQUEST OF MISS MATTIE S. T. WILLIAMS

(of Union Cong.)

1900.			
May 1.	Balance		$ 20 00
1900.			
Aug. 1.	Indian Mission Current Account, (Per order Synod, 1900)	$ 20 00	

MISS MARGARET G. RUSSELL BEQUEST, BOVINA, N. Y.

1900.				
May 1.	Balance		$	248 73
1900.				
Aug. 1.	Walter T. Miller, Tr. Account, for Foreign Mission Current Account (Per order Synod, 1900)	$ 248 73		

ROBERT OSBORNE BEQUEST, PARNASSUS, PA.

1900.				
May 1.	Balance		$	15 00
1900.				
Aug. 1.	Southern Mission Current Account	$ 5 00		
	Indian Mission Current Account	5 00		
	Jewish Mission Current Account	2 50		
	Theological Seminary Current Account. (Per order of Synod, 1900)	2 50		
		$ 15 00	$	15 00

MISS MARY J. CAMPBELL BEQUEST, ROCHESTER, N. Y.

1900.				
May 1.	Balance		$	1,000 00
1900.				
Aug. 1.	Walter T. Miller, Tr. Account, for Foreign Mission Current Account	$ 200 00		
	Domestic Mission Current Account	200 00		
	Jewish Mission Current Account	200 00		
	Southern Mission Current Account	200 00		
	Indian Mission Current Account	200 00		
	(Per order of Synod, 1900)			
		$ 1,000 00	$	1,000 00

BEQUEST OF JOHN COULTER AND ELIZA JANE COULTER, HIS WIFE.

1900.				
May 1.	Balance	$ 2 50		
1901.				
May 1.	*Balance*		$	2 50

JOHN CROWE BEQUEST, RENFREW, PA.

1900.				
May 1.	Balance	$ 1 00		
1901.				
Mar. 21.	Cash, paid notary	50		
1901.				
May 1.	*Balance*			1 50
		$ 1 50	$	1 50

REV. ROBERT SHIELDS BEQUEST, ALMONTE, ONTARIO, CANADA.

1900.				
May 1.	Balance		$	600 00
1901.				
May 1.	*Balance*	$ 600 00		

MRS. JANE KILPATRICK ENDOWMENT BEQUEST.

(Formerly a member of Muskingum and Tomica, O., Cong.)

1900.				
Dec. 29.	Cash		$	100 00
1901.				
May 1.	*Balance*	$ 100 00		

She died about 20 years ago, left the 100 dollars in care of her son, Robert, the interest to be used for pastor's salary so long as Mr. Fulton remained pastor of the Congregation; afterwards the interest on same to be applied to Foreign Mission and Bible Society alternately. It has been applied to the American Bible Society. She made no will except an oral one. We wrote to Mr. W. M. Wylie that we would place one-half the amount to credit of Foreign Mission Endowment Account, and the other to credit of Bible Society Endowment Account.

MRS. REBECCA JANE BURNESON BEQUEST.

(Late of Moon Township, Beaver County, Pa., Martha A. and Sarah M. Burneson, Exs.)

1901.				
Mar. 12.	Cash, per Malinda Burneson, on Acc't			$ 15 00
1901.				
May 1.	*Balance*		$ 15 00	
	Mission in Syria	$25 00		
	Mission in India	25 00		
	(Daughter writes that the latter is intended for Indian Mission in the U. S.			
	Mission in Latakia	25 00		
	Theological Seminary	50 00		
	Geneva College	50 00		
		$175 00		

One-fifth of the above payable each year after her death which took place April 21, 1900. The Trustees of Synod, etc., with approval of Synod, will apply above as directed to Current Accounts when payments are made.

MRS. SARAH McLANE BEQUEST, BARNET CONGREGATION.

(Per J. C. Morrison, Tr. of Barnet Cong.)

1901.			
Apr. 29.	Cash, for Southern Mission, this year,		11 00
1901.			
May 1.	*Balance*	$ 11 00	

She was a member of Barnet Congregation and left the money to said Congregation to be used for Mission purposes as the Congregation saw fit.

JAMES FRASER BEQUEST, NEW YORK, N. Y.

1900.				
May 1.	Balance			$ 1,159 45
1901.				
Apr. 30.	Cash, rents received			1,308 55
1901.				
Apr. 30.	Cash, paid for repairs	$ 95 78		
	" " " water rents	20 00		
	" " " city taxes	322 72		
May 1.	*Balance.*	2,029 50		
		$ 2,468 00		$ 2,468 00

IOWA PRESBYTERY INTEREST ACCOUNT.

1901.				
Apr. 30.	Dividend			$ 35 00
1901.				
Apr. 30.	Cash, remitted	$ 35 00		

WILKINSBURG CONGREGATION INTEREST ACCOUNT.

1901. Apr. 30.	Dividend		$ 25 00
1901. Apr. 30.	Cash, remitted	$ 25 00	

MRS. AGNES MCINROY INTEREST ACCOUNT.

1901. Apr. 22.	Interest to May 1, 1901		$ 120 00
1901. Apr. 22.	Cash, remitted	$ 120 00	

JAMES R. MCKEE, MEMORIAL INTEREST ACCOUNT.

1901. Apr. 30.	Dividend		$ 100 00
	Dividend		50 00
1901. Apr. 30.	Fund for Widows and Children of Deceased Ministers Current Acc't	$ 100 00	
	Walter T. Miller, Tr. Acc't for Foreign Mission Current Account	50 00	
		$ 150 00	$ 150 00

FOREIGN MISSION INTEREST ACCOUNT.

1901. Apr. 19.	D. Gregg Real Estate Endowment Account, 5 shares		$ 987 85
Apr. 30.	Dividend, 5% on Endowm't of $42,986 17		2,149 30
1901. Apr. 19.	Walter T. Miller, Tr. Account	$ 987 85	
Apr. 30.	Walter T. Miller, Tr. Account	2,149 30	
		$ 3,137 15	$ 3,137 15

CHURCH EXTENSION OR ERECTION INTEREST ACCOUNT.

1901. Apr. 19.	D. Gregg Real Estate Endowment Account, 1 share		$ 197 57
Apr. 30.	Dividend, 5% on Endowm't of $3,400 00		170 00
1901. Apr. 19.	Walter T. Miller, Tr. Account	$ 197 57	
	Walter T. Miller, Tr. Account	170 00	
		$ 367 57	$ 367 57

CENTRAL REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, ALLEGHENY.

1901. Apr. 19.	D. Gregg, Real Estate Endowment Account, 1 share		$ 197 57
1901. Apr. 19.	Cash, remitted	$ 197 57	

CASH DONATION INTEREST ACCOUNT.

1901. Apr. 30.	Interest Account		$ 125 00
1901. Apr. 30.	Cash, remitted	$ 125 00	

THOS. CHRISTISON DONATION INTEREST ACCOUNT.

1901. Mar. 27.	Interest Account: one year's interest to 3-30-1901		$ 5 00
1901. Mar. 27.	Cash, remitted	$ 5 00	

DONATION ACCOUNT. INTEREST ACCOUNT.
(Name not to be used.)

1901.			
Jan. 3.	Interest Account, 6 months interest to 1-3-1901		$ 18 00
1901.			
Jan. 3.	Cash, remitted	$ 18 00	

DONATION ACCOUNT. INTEREST ACCOUNT.
(Name not to be used.)

1901.			
Jan. 3.	Interest Account, interest to 1-3-1901		$ 13 62
1901.			
Jan. 3.	Cash, remitted	$ 13 62	

REV. ROBERT SHIELD'S BEQUEST INTEREST ACCOUNT.

1900.			
June 26.	Interest Account, 1 year's interest to 6-29-1900		$ 24 00
1900.			
June 26.	Cash, remitted Mrs. Elizabeth Shields	$ 24 00	

WALTER T. MILLER, TREASURER ACCOUNT.

1900.			
Aug. 1.	Miss Mary J. Campbell Bequest		$ 200 00
	Miss Margaret G. Russell Bequest		248 73
Nov. 16.	Donation in Memory of Mrs. Isabella Stewart Martin		998 25
1901.			
Apr. 18.	Donation in Memory of Mrs. Isabella Stewart Martin		689 15
1901.			
Apr. 19.	Foreign Mission Int. Acc't. $ 987 85		
	Church Erection Int. Acc't. 197 57		
			1,185 42
Apr. 30.	Foreign Mission Int. Acc't. $2,149 30		
	Church Erection Int. Acc't. 170 00		
	J. R. McKee Memo. Int. Acc't 50 00		
			2,369 30
1900.			
Aug. 24.	Cash, remitted	$ 448 73	
Nov. 16.	" "	998 25	
1901.			
Apr. 18.	" "	689 15	
Apr. 19.	" "	1,185 42	
Apr. 30.	" "	2,369 30	
		$ 5,690 85	$ 5,690 85

W. P. M. S. PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY.

1900.			
May 1.	Balance		$ 200 00
Nov. 30.	Interest Account		10 00
1900.			
Nov. 5.	Cash, remitted Mrs. J. R. McKee, Tr.	$ 10 00	
1901.			
May 1.	*Balance*	200 00	
		$ 210 00	$ 210 00

REV. A. J. MCFARLAND, LECTURER.

1900.					
May 1.	Balance	$	4 47		
1900.					
May 3.	Cash			$	4 47
1901.					
Apr. 30.	Testimony Bearing Current Account, Balance of expenses per his report				12 37
1901.					
May 1.	*Balance*		12 37		
		$	16 84	$	16 84

REV. W. W. CARITHER'S ACCOUNT.

1901.					
Apr. 30.	Indian Mission Current Acc't. Balance of expenses per his report for year			$	600 52
1901.					
May 1.	*Balance*	$	600 52		

SUIT—J. A. CUMMINGS

1900.					
May 1.	Balance	$	3 30		
1901.					
May 1.	*Balance*			$	3 30

OFFICE FURNITURE ACCOUNT.

1900.					
May 1.	Balance	$	250 00		
1901.					
May 1.	*Balance*			$	250 00

(REPAIRS ON PROPERTY REAL ESTATE DONATION)

1900.					
May 1.	Balance	$	103 75		
1901.					
Apr. 30.	Cash, on account of repairs			$	338 45
Apr. 30.	Cash, paid for repairs	$	252 37		
1901.					
May 1.	*Balance*				17 67
		$	356 12	$	356 12

EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

1901.			
Apr. 30.	Cash, Rent of office to May 1, 1901	$	362 08
	Car fare		9 00
	P. O. Stamps		40 96
	Stationery, etc.		31 64
	Printing, Church Scheme Cir. and Cards		16 63
	Revenue Stamps		11 96
	Telephone rent, 9 months		41 25
	Miss L. L. Euwer, type-writing report of Sec. of Synod's Board of Trustees		3 50
	Equitable Trust Co. Bond of Tr.		50 00
	Expense connected with securing gifts		4 35
	Two copies minutes of Synod 1900		60
	Stamps on deed		2 50
	Storing and putting up awnings.		1 00
	Recording deed		2 00
	Reseating chair.		1 00

	Insurance, office furniture.....	4 15			
	Check book.	14 00			
	Moving office and expenses connected therewith	44 26			
	Repairing desk	75			
	John T. Morton, salary 12 months to 5-1-1901.....	2,100 00			
1901.					
Apr. 30.	Geneva College Current Account.....			$	274 16
	Theological Seminary Current Account				205 63
	Domestic Mission Current Account...				205 62
	Southern Mission Current Account...				137 08
	Interest Account				1,919 14
		$	2,741 63	$	2,741 63

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

1900.					
May 1.	Balance.....			$	43 27
1901.					
Apr. 19.	D. Gregg Endowment Bequest, Current Account.....				179 25
Apr. 30.	Sundries.....				7 41
	Robert Aiken Property Account.....				40 50
	St. Johnsbury Church Property Acc't.				220 14
	Real Estate Account (No. 4 Susq. St)..				135 80
	Geneva College Current Account.....				202 90
	Cash, Interest received during year...				16,437 47
1901.					
Apr. 30.	Cash, Paid Cash Donation Int. Acct.	$	125 00		
	" " Rev. Robert Shields Bequest Interest.....		24 00		
	Cash, Paid W. P. M. S. Pgh. Pres, Int.		10 00		
	" " Thomas Christison, Donation Interest.....		5 00		
	Cash, Paid Mrs. Agnes McInroy, Int...		120 00		
	Donations, Interest Account.....		31 62		
	Sundries.....		148 65		
	Expense Account.....		1,919 14		
	Dividend, 5% on Endowment of $295,226.79.....		14,761 33		
May 1.	*Balance*.....		122 00		
		$	17,266 74	$	17,266 74

CONTINGENT ACCOUNT.

1900.					
May 1.	Balance.....			$	852 91
1901.					
Jan. 5.	Donation to credit of New Concord, O. R. P. Cong. Interest paid at various times and credited to Int. Acc't.	$	359 42		
May 1.	*Balance*.....		493 49		
		$	852 91	$	852 91

CASH ACCOUNT.

1900.					
May 1.	Balance.....	$	6,579 43		
1901.					
Apr. 30.	Receipts.....		161,454 34		
1901.					
Apr. 30.	Expenditures.....			$	148,173 84
May 1.	*Balance*.....				19,859 93
		$	168,033 77	$	168,033 77

DOMESTIC MISSION CURRENT ACCOUNT.

1900. May. 1.	Balance			$ 167 97
	Receipts.			
1900. Apr. 30.	Cash, 126 Congregations	$2,617 53		
	20 Sabbath Schools	374 96		
	1 S. S. Class	2 00		
	12 L. M. S.	113 01		
	10 Y. P. S. C. E.	203 54		
	56 Individuals	691 25		
	5 W. P. M. S.	177 43		
				4,179 72
	Amount returned from St. Louis Cong. unearned			77 00
	Amount returned from Mansfield, O., Cong. unearned			35 00
	Arthur T. Kilpatrick Bequest			10 00
	Miss Mary J. Campbell Bequest			200 00
	Cov. Y. P. U. of Kansas Presbytery			25 00
	D. Gregg Real Estate Endowment Account, 3 shares			592 71
	Dividend, 5% on Endowm't of $31,101 04			1,555 05
	Expenditures.			
1901. Apr. 30.	Cash, Rev. P. J. McDonald, supplement to salary		$ 16 70	
	Rev. M. A. Gault, preaching at Chicago		75 00	
	Mr. D. O. Jack, preaching at Chicago		60 00	
	Mr. G. Cunningham, Tr. Iowa Pres., preaching at Chicago by Rev. Wm. McFarland		784 99	
	75% of appropriations by Synod, 1900, viz.:			
	N. B. & N. S. Pres. — Rev. Thos. McFall, Tr.		225 00	
	Philadelphia Pres. — Rev. J. C. McFeeters, Tr.		150 00	
	Rochester Pres. — John Hunter, Jr., Tr.		75 00	
	Pittsburgh, Pres.—John T. Morton, Tr.		975 00	
	Ohio Pres. — Rev. J. S. Thompson, Tr., and Rev. A. A. Samson, Tr.		675 00	
	Lakes Pres. — Rev. R. Hargrave, Tr.		412 50	
	Illinois Pres. — Rev. D. S. Faris, Tr.		300 00	
	Iowa Pres.—G. Cunningham, Tr.		75 00	
	Kansas Pres. — R. M. Atchison, Tr.		1,928 50	
	Colorado Pres.— E. B. Lemmon, Tr.		848 43	
	10% of appropriation by Synod 1900 to Vermont Pres.—Rev. J. C. Taylor, Tr.		10 00	
	Rev. J. W. Sproull, expense of appeals		10 61	
	Expense account		205 62	
May 1.	*Balance*		47 10	
			$ 6,874 45	$ 6,874 45

KNOX ACADEMY CURRENT ACCOUNT.

1900.			
June 6.	Cash, Tuition per Rev. R. J. McIsaac.		$ 35 14
1901.			
Apr. 30.	Southern Mission Current Account..	$ 35 14	

PLEASANT GROVE MISSION PROPERTY RENT ACCOUNT.

1901.			
Apr. 30.	Cash, Per Mr. J. H. Pickens.....		$ 30 00
1901.			
Apr. 30.	Southern Mission Current Account. ..$	30 00	

TEACHER'S HOME, SELMA, ALA., RENT ACCOUNT.

1901.			
Apr. 30.	Cash, rent to 5-1-1901, per Rev. J. G. Reed.....		$ 41 66
1901.			
Apr. 30.	Southern Mission Current Account....$	41 66	

SOUTHERN MISSION CURRENT ACCOUNT.

Receipts.

1901.			
Apr. 30.	Cash, 113 Congregations.....		$ 2,009 16
	26 Sabbath Schools		488 24
	5 S. S. Classes...		33 78
	24 L. M. S.....		262 96
	4 Mission Bands.....		22 50
	8 Y. P. S. C. E.....		94 78
	70 Individuals		892 09
	3 W. P. M. S.		116 73
	Cov. Y. P. Pres. U. of Kansas Pres.		25 00
	One-half collection at Sabbath Sanctification meeting at Synod 1900.....		7 25
	Arthur T. Kilpatrick Bequest.....		20 00
	Mrs. Annie Melvin Bequest		50 00
	Mrs. Mary J. Campbell Bequest.....		200 00
	Robert Osborne Bequest		5 00
	D. Gregg Real Estate Endowment Account. 1 share.....		197 57
	Knox Academy Current Account.....		35 14
	Pleasant Grove Mission Property Rent Account		30 00
	Teacher's Home, Selma, Ala. Rent Account.....		41 66
	Dividend 5% on Endowment of $4,556.28		227 82
1900.			
May 1.	Balance.....$	524 65	

Expenditures.

1901.			
Apr. 30.	Cash, Rev. Solomon Kingston, sal. to 5-1-1901..... $	400 00	
	Mr. J. H. Pickens, sal. to 5-1-1901	420 00	
	Mr. J. C. Phillips, sal. to 7-1-1900	60 00	
	Rev. R. J. McIsaac, sal. to 9-1-1900	333 36	
	Rev. J. G. Reed, sal. from 12-1-1900 to 5-1-1901.....	416 65	
	Miss. M. Della Walker, sal. to 6-1-1900.....	40 00	
	Miss Margaret McCartney, sal. to 5-1-1901.....	320 00	
	Miss Lena L. Beattie, sal. to 5-1-1901.....	320 00	

	Miss Lillian Hobbie, sal. to 5-1-1901	320 00	
	Mrs. G. M. Sims, sal. to 5-1-1901.	320 00	
	Miss Blanche George, sal. to 5-1-1901	280 00	
	Miss Sophia P. Kingston, sal to 5-1-1901	280 00	
	Miss May R. Beattie, sal. from 10-29-1900 to 5-1-1901	152 50	
	Miss Margaret McCartney, extra work in September, 1900	25 00	
	Miss Lillian Hobbie, extra work in September, 1900	25 00	
	Miss Margaret McCartney, traveling expenses	39 55	
	Miss Lena L. Beattie, traveling expenses	38 60	
	Miss Lillian Hobbie, traveling expenses	60 60	
	Miss M. Della Walker, traveling expenses	20 25	
	Miss Blanche George, traveling expenses	20 90	
	Miss May R. Beattie, traveling expenses	18 80	
	Rev. J. W. Sproull, expense of appeals	8 84	
	Repairs of window glass, etc.	28 65	
	Expense Account	137 08	
May 1.	*Balance*	149 88	
		$ 4,760 31	$ 4,760 31

CHINESE HOME MISSION CURRENT ACCOUNT.

1900.			
May 1.	Balance		$ 32 32
	Receipts.		
1901.			
Apr. 30.	Cash, 61 Congregations		$ 503 35
	3 Sabbath Schools		11 20
	1 S. S. Class		2 00
	2 L. M. S.		20 00
	26 Individuals		139 37
	D. Gregg Real Estate Endowment Acc't 1 share		197 58
	Dividend 5% on Endowment of $100 00		5 00
	Expenditures.		
1901.			
Apr. 30.	Cash, Mrs. S. C. Borland, salary to 1-1-1901	$ 200 00	
	Mrs. Rosamond R. Johnston, salary to 5-1-1901	100 00	
	Mr. Lou Yen, salary to 9-1-1900	20 00	
	Rev. N. R. Johnston, recognition of services	75 00	
	Hall rent to 6-1-1901	264 00	
	Gas bills	40 05	
	Fuel	5 70	
	Telegram to Mrs. Borland	1 00	
May 1.	*Balance*	205 06	
		$ 910 81	$ 910 81

INDIAN MISSION INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

1900.			
May 1.	Balance		$ 139 60
1901.			
May 1.	*Balance*	$ 139 60	

INDIAN MISSION BUILDING ACCOUNT.

1900.			
May 1.	Balance	$ 2 89	
1901.			
May 1.	*Balance*		$ 2 89

MRS. M. A. SLATER. AS A MEMORIAL TO HER SON, RENWICK G. SLATER.
(To start a new branch of Indian Mission.)

1900.			
May 1.	Balance		$ 250 00
1901.			
May 1.	*Balance*	$ 250 00	

INDIAN MISSION CURRENT ACCOUNT.

Receipts.

1901.			
Apr. 30.	Cash, 100 Congregations		$ 1,225 87
	26 Sabbath Schools		390 11
	4 S. S. Classes		22 50
	15 L. M. S.		164 08
	4 Mission Bands		70 23
	6 Y. P. S. C. E.		38 86
	Miss Alice Carithers		225 00
	Miss Mary A. Moore		37 50
	66 Individuals		565 43
	1 W. P. M. S.		12 75
	Ohio Presbytery (annual offering)		100 00
	Cov. Y. P. Pres. U. of Kan. Pres.		25 00
	W.P. M. S. of Pittsburgh, Pres. Balance of Rev. W.W. Carither's salary to 2-1-1901		750 00
	W. P. M. S. of Pittsburgh, Pres. on account of Rev. W. W. Carither's sal. from 2-1-1901.		250 00
	Mrs. Annie Melvin Bequest		50 00
	Mrs. Mary Lyon Lingo Bequest		7 55
	Miss Mattie S. T. Williams Bequest		20 00
	Miss Mary J. Campbell Bequest		200 00
	Robert Osborne Bequest		5 00
1900.			
May 1.	*Balance*	$ 499 80	

Expenditures.

1901.			
Apr. 30.	Cash, Rev. D. C. Martin, holding communion at Mission, exp. etc.	$ 63 99	
	Rev. W. W. Carithers, salary to 5-1-1901	775 00	
	Rev. W. W. Carithers, salary of W. W. Humphries to 5-1-1901.	300 00	

	Miss Alice Carithers, salary to 5-1-1901	362 50	
	Miss Fannie E. Thomas, salary to 5-1-1901	450 00	
	Miss Mary A. Moore, salary for April, 1900	27 50	
	Miss Mary A. Moore, salary to 5-1-1901	450 00	
	Mr. Arthur A. Logan, salary to 5-1-1901	225 00	
	Miss Mary Willson, salary to 5-1-1901	250 00	
	Rev. J. R. W. Stevenson, salary from 2-9-1901 to 5-1-1901	176 43	
	Miss Maggie J. Walkinshaw, salary to 7-1-1900	32 00	
	Miss Maggie J. Walkinshaw, traveling expenses	37 00	
	Rev. J. R. W. Stevenson, traveling expenses	25 00	
	Miss Alice Carithers, an addition of $12 50 per month from 10-1-'99 to 5-1-1900	87 50	
	Rev. W. W. Carrithers, an addition to salary of W. W. Humphries on account of efficient services of his wife	100 00	
	Insurance	141 00	
	Sundries, Expenses per report of Rev. W. W. Carithers to April 20, 1901	600 52	
			443 26
May 1.	*Balance overdrawn*		
		$ 4,603 24	$ 4,603 24

JEWISH MISSION CURRENT ACCOUNT.

1900.			
May 1.	Balance		$ 512 26
	Receipts.		
1901.			
Apr. 30.	Cash, 80 Congregations		649 12
	4 Sabbath Schools		34 32
	8 L. M. S.		94 70
	1 Mission Band		2 75
	34 Individuals		187 25
	1 W. P. M. S.		8 25
	Miss Mary J. Campbell Bequest		200 00
	Robert Osborne Bequest		2 50
	Cash, Returned from Cincinnati Jewish Mission, per Rev. W. J. Sanderson, Tr.		38 00
	Expenditures.		
1901.			
Apr. 30.	Cash, Paid Philadelphia Jewish Mission, Mr. W. G. Carson, Tr.	$ 1,100 00	
	Paid Cincinnati Jewish Mission, Rev. J. McCracken, Tr., and Rev. W. J. Sanderson, Tr.	456 00	
May 1.	*Balance*	173 15	
		$ 1,729 15	$ 1,729 15

ECUMENICAL COUNCIL OF MISSIONS.

1900.			
May 12.	Cash, Receipts this month		$ 9 78
1900.			
May 12.	Cash, remitted Mr. Walter T. Miller, Tr.	$ 9 78	

MEMORIAL BUILDING RENT ACCOUNT.

1900.			
May 1.	Balance		$ 3,473 06
	Receipts.		
1901.			
Apr. 30.	Cash, rent received		800 00
	Expenditures.		
1901.			
Apr. 30.	Cash, water rent for 1900	$ 12 00	
	One-third amount of Natural Gas bills, to 5-26-1900	69 76	
	Repairs, etc	214 94	
	Insurance, plate glass	10 00	
	Allegheny Illuminating Co., bills	1 80	
May 1.	Balance	3,964 56	
		$ 4,273 06	$ 4,273 06

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY CURRENT ACCOUNT.

1900.			
May 1.	Balance		$ 1,020 18
	Receipts.		
1901.			
Apr. 30.	Cash, 68 Congregations		$ 484 81
	2 Sabbath Schools		19 95
	19 Individuals		128 30
	Two years interest on Theo. Sem. note, Mr. Davidson, Elder, Per Rev. D. S. Faris		3 60
	Robert Osborne Bequest		2 50
	D. Gregg Real Estate Endowment Acc't 1 share		197 57
	Dividend 5% on Endowm't of $60,737.14		3,036 85
	Expenditures.		
1901.			
Apr. 30.	Cash, Rev. D. B. Willson, D. D., Sal. to 6-1-1901	$ 2,000 00	
	Rev. R. J. George, D.D., Sal. to 6-1-1900	2,000 00	
	Rev. T. P. Stevenson, traveling expenses attending Board meeting 5-1-1900	13 00	
	Paid W. R. Sterrett, traveling expenses attending Board meeting 5-1-1901	13 50	
	Lessons in Elocution to students	60 75	
	Expense Account	205 63	
May 1.	*Balance*	600 88	
		$ 4,893 76	$ 4,893 76

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY LIBRARY FUND.

1900. May 1.	Balance		$ 1,289 20
	Receipts.		
1901. Apr. 30.	Cash, 4 Congregations		$ 22 70
	2 Individuals		2 50
	Volume resold		1 50
	Expenditures.		
1901. Apr. 30.	Cash, Paid for books, rebinding, etc.	$ 213 21	
	Geneva College Library Account (one-half of receipts during year)	13 10	
May 1.	*Balance*	$ 1,090 59	
		$ 1,316 90	$ 1,316 90

STUDENTS' FUND CURRENT ACCOUNT.

1900. May 1.	Balance		$ 2,549 40
	Receipts.		
1901. Apr. 30.	Cash, 2 Congregations		$ 2 00
	5 Individuals		34 85
	Dividend 5% on Endowm't of $15,808 76		790 44
	Expenditures.		
1900. Nov. 20.	Cash, Paid per order Synod's Board of Control as follows:		
	Robert Clark	$ 90 00	
	S. E. Greer	100 00	
	Samuel Edgar	175 00	
	Herbert B. McMillan	175 00	
	Ernest M. Elsey	175 00	
	David C. Matthews	175 00	
	Wilmer G. Robb	175 00	
	Edward L. McKnight	175 00	
	Hugh McCarroll	175 00	
	"News-Herald"	5 00	
1901. Jan. 3.	Cash, Paid S. E. Greer (additional) per order of Board of Control	75 00	
May 1.	*Balance*	1,881 69	
		$ 3,376 69	$ 3,376 69

AGED MINISTER'S FUND CURRENT ACCOUNT.

1900. May 1.	Balance		$ 435 61
	Receipts.		
1901. Apr. 30.	Cash, 90 Congregations		$ 582 09
	2 Sabbath Schools		20 77
	22 Individuals		36 00
	Dividend 5% on Endowm't of $12,740 56		637 03

Expenditures.

1900.				
Nov. 20.	Cash, Paid per order of Synod's Board of Control as follows :			
	Rev. R. B Cannon, D D.,.....	$ 400 00		
	Rev. J. R. Baird.....	200 00		
	Rev. J. M. Armour, D.D.....	200 00		
	Rev. J. C. K. Faris.....	150 00		
	Rev. S. M. Stevenson.....	200 00		
	"News-Herald".....	3 50		
	Stamps on drafts.....	12		
1901.				
May 1.	*Balance*.....	557 88		
		$ 1,711 50	$	1,711 50

FUND FOR WIDOWS AND CHILDREN OF DECEASED MINISTERS CURRENT ACCOUNT.

1901.			
May 1.	Balance.....	$	232 45

Receipts.

1900.			
Apr. 30.	Cash, 89 Congregations.....	$	596 44
	2 Sabbath Schools....		17 35
	19 Individuals.....		57 00
	D. Gregg Real Estate Endowm't Acc't. 1 share.....		197 57
	Dividend, 5% on Endowm't of $5,691 06		284 55
	James R. McKee Memorial Interest Account.....		100 00

Expenditures.

1900.				
Nov. 30.	Cash, Paid per order Synod's Board of Control as follows:			
	Mrs. Martha S. George.....$	150 00		
	Mrs. Lydia French.....	50 00		
	Mrs. Nancy Reid.....	100 00		
	Mrs. Adda F. Thompson.....	50 00		
	Mrs. Margaret A. Lawson.....	125 00		
	Mrs. K. Elizabeth Smith.....	75 00		
	Mrs. Belle T. Dodds	150 00		
	Mrs. Isabella Milroy.....	75 00		
	Mrs. Susan Love.....	75 00		
	Mrs. Laura Speer.....	200 00		
	Mrs. Mary A. McMillan.....	100 00		
	Mrs. Mary A. Yates.....	50 00		
	"News-Herald".....	2 00		
	Revenue Stamps on drafts	24		
1901.				
May 1.	*Balance*.....	283 12		
		$ 1,485 36	$	1,485 36

SUSTENTATION FUND CURRENT ACCOUNT.

1900.			
May 1.	Balance.....	$	3,730 34

Receipts.

1901.			
Apr. 30.	Cash, 67 Congregations		$ 1,276 23
	2 Sabbath Schools		26 65
	1 Y. P. S. C. E.		6 00
	13 Individuals		94 00
	1 Individual		1,500 00
	1 W. P. M. S		4 00
	D. Gregg Real Estate Endowm't Acc't. 1 share		197 57

Expenditures.

1900.			
June 7.	Cash, Paid appropriations by Synod, 1900, in full:		
	Rev. E. M. Coleman, Almonte Cong.	$ 490 00	
	Rev. D. C. Faris, Barnet Cong.	266 56	
	Rev. W. J. Sanderson, Cedarville Cong.	196 00	
	Rev. J. C. Slater, Jonathan's Creek Cong.	294 00	
	Rev. Wm. McFarland, Lisbon Cong.	259 70	
	Rev. Chas. Clyde, Lochiel Cong.	343 00	
	Rev. J. R. Latimer, Slippery Rock Cong.	235 20	
	Rev. T. J. Allen, Sterling, Kan., Cong.	141 12	
	Rev. G. M. Robb, Syracuse Cong.	650 72	
	Rev. Isaiah Faris, Vernon Cong.	294 00	
	Rev. T. A. McElwain, West Hebron Cong.	441 00	
	Rev. J. H. Pritchard, White Lake Cong.	98 00	
1901.			
May 1.	*Balance*	$ 3,125 52	
		$ 6,834 82	$ 6,834 82

TESTIMONY BEARING CURRENT ACCOUNT.

1900.			
May 1.	Balance		$ 481 84

Receipts.

1901.			
Apr. 30.	Cash, 85 Congregations		847 48
	1 Sabbath School		18 97
	32 Individuals		254 37
	1 W. P. M. S.		1 00
	Receipts per report of Rev. A. J. McFarland		102 07

Expenditures.

1901.			
Apr. 30.	Cash, Rev. A. J. McFarland, Lecturer, salary to 6-1-1901	$ 1,200 00	
	Rev. W. J. Coleman, order No. 86	5 47	
	Expenses per report of Rev. A. J. McFarland, Lecturer	100 32	
May 1.	*Balance*	399 94	
		$ 1,705 73	$ 1,705 73

GENEVA COLLEGE NEEDED REPAIRS, ETC., ACCOUNT.

1900. May 1.	Balance	$ 2,000 00	
1900. May 23.	Geneva College Current Acc't (amount of account transferred, per order of Board)		$ 2,000 00

GENEVA COLLEGE LIBRARY ACCOUNT.

1900. May 1.	Balance		$ 419 40
	Receipts.		
1901. Apr. 30.	Theological Seminary Library Fund (one-half receipts of Library Fund during year)		13 10
	Expenditures.		
1901. Apr. 30.	Cash, Paid for books, periodicals, etc.	$ 307 89	
May 1.	*Balance*	124 61	
		$ 432 50	$ 432 50

GENEVA COLLEGE INTEREST ACCOUNT.

1901. Apr. 30.	Cash, received for interest on Geneva College notes during year		$ 701 77
1901. Apr. 30.	Geneva College Current Account	$ 701 77	

GENEVA COLLEGE CURRENT ACCOUNT.

	Receipts.		
1901. Apr. 30.	Cash, 50 Congregations		$ 330 63
	2 Sabbath Schools		15 84
	9 Individuals		11 10
	Rent of Chapel		100 00
	Tuition		3,164 94
	Rev. W. McKirahan, A.M. degree		10 00
	Walter T. Miller Donation Acc't, Int.		123 60
	Geneva College Interest Account		701 77
	Dividend, 5% on Endowment of $113,905.78		5,695 29
1900. May 1.	Balance	$ 1,381 60	
May 23.	Geneva College needed repairs Acc't (amount of Acc't transferred to this by order of Synod Board of Trustees and request of Trustees of Geneva College)	2,000 00	
	Expenditures.		
1901. Apr. 30.	Cash, Prize of Board of Trustees	$ 25 00	
	Repairs, dormitory, etc.	846 66	
	Rev. A. Kilpatrick, expenses attending meetings of Board	5 00	
	Expenses attending opening of College	1 40	
	Rhetoric Prize	25 00	

		2 rolls and 20 yds. matting.. ...	15 00	
		Insurance.....	96 00	
		Rev. W. P. Johnston, D D., Sal. to 6-1-1901	1,500 00	
		Prof. Geo. Kennedy, Sal. to 6-1-1901	1,200 00	
		Prof. W. M. Milroy, Sal. to 6-1-1901	1,200 00	
		Prof. J. M. Coleman, Sal. to 6-1-1901.....	1,200 00	
		Prof. R. J. McIsaac, Sal. to 6-1-1901....	1,000 00	
		Prof. B. C. Barnard, Sal. to 6-1-1900.....	900 00	
		Miss Grace P. Moorhead, Sal. to 6-1-1901	630 00	
		Miss May E. Faris, Sal. to 6-1-1901.....	400 00	
		Prof. Jos. H. Thompson, Sal. to 6-1-1901.....	250 00	
		Prof. A. T. Smith, Sal. to 3-1-1901	499 98	
		Filling Prof. Smith's place after his departure, to 6-1-1901.....	234 00	
		Miss Randall, Elocution.....	50 00	
		Interest Account—one year's interest to 5-1-1901, on overdraft of $3,381.60	202 90	
		Expense Account	274 16	
May	1.	*Balance overdrawn*.....		3,783 53
			$ 13,936 70	$ 13,936 70

BALANCE SHEET MAY 1, 1901.

LIABILITIES.

ENDOWMENT FUNDS.

	1900.	1901.
Geneva College Endowment	$113,905 78	$127,005 78
Theological Seminary Endowment	60,737 14	60,737 14
Student's Fund Endowment	15,808 76	15,808 76
Foreign Mission Endowment	42,986 17	42,986 17
Domestic Mission Endowment	31,101 04	31,101 04
Southern Mission Endowment	4,556 28	4,556 28
Chinese Mission Endowment	100 00	100 00
Indian Mission Endowment		1,500 00
Aged Ministers Endowment	12,740 56	12,740 56
Fund for Widows and Children of Deceased Ministers Endowment	5,691 06	5,691 06
Church Extension Endowment	3,400 00	3,400 00
James R. McKee Memorial Endowment (Widows and Children)	2,000 00	2,000 00
James R McKee Memorial Endowment (Foreign Mission)	1,000 00	1,000 00
Iowa Presbytery Endowment	700 00	700 00
Wilkinsburg Congregation Endowment	500 00	500 00
(Dividend, 5% declared on this amount)	$295,226 79	
Mrs. Agnes McInroy Endowment, (not governed by dividend but by specified rate of interest)		3,000 00
Amount of General Endowment Account		$312,8:6 79
D. Gregg Bequest Endowment, (not governed by dividend; net revenue distributed as instructed by donor)		157,015 73

SUNDRY ACCOUNTS.

St. Johnsbury, Vt., R. P. Church Property Rent Account	3,213 57
Bond and Mortgage, Miss Sarah N. Arbuthnot	3,500 00
Mrs. Rebecca Brown Donation No. 2	1,840 00
Cash Donation	2,474 73
Donation in Memory of Mrs. Isabella Stewart Martin	421 45
Thomas Christison Donation	100 00
Donation: Credited to New Concord, O. R. P. Cong	859 42
Donation: (name not to be given)	900 00
Donations: (name not to be given)	2,200 00
Real Estate Donation: (name not to be given)	1 00
Rev. Robert Shield's Bequest	600 00
James Fraser Bequest	2,029 50
Mrs. Jane Kilpatrick Endowment Bequest	100 00
Mrs. Rebecca Jane Burneson Bequest	15 00
Mrs. Sarah McLane Bequest	11 00
W. P. M. S. of Pittsburgh Presbytery Account	200 00
Rev. A. J. McFarland Account	12 37
Rev W. W. Carither's Account	600 52
Interest Account	122 00
Contingent Account	493 49

CURRENT ACCOUNTS.

D. Gregg Endowment Bequest Interest Account	20 00
Domestic Mission Current Account	47 10
Southern Mission Current Account	149 88
Chinese Home Mission Current Account	205 06
Mrs. M. A. Slater (as a memorial to her son Renwick G., etc.)	250 00
Indian Mission Industrial School	139 60
Theological Seminary Current Account	600 88
Memorial Building Rent Account	3,964 56
Theological Seminary Library Fund	1,090 59
Student's Fund Current Account	1,881 69
Aged Minister's Fund Current Account	557 88
Fund for Widows and Children of Deceased Ministers Current Account	283 12
Testimony Bearing Current Account	399 94
Geneva College Library Account	124 61
Jewish Mission Current Account	173 15
Sustentation Fund Current Account	3,125 52

ASSETS.

Indian Mission Current Account	$ 443 36	
Indian Mission Building Account	2 89	
Geneva College Current Account	3,783 53	
Repairs on Property Account	17 67	
Life Insurance Policy	1,840 00	
Real Estate Donation	677 40	
Real Estate Account (name not to be given)	1 00	
Bequest of John Coulter and Eliza Jane Coulter, his wife	2 50	
John Crowe Bequest	1 50	
Robert Aiken Property Account	715 67	
Real Estate (No. 4 Susq. St., Pgh. Pa.)	2,409 86	
St. Johnsbury, Vt. R. P. Church Property Acc't	7,055 01	
Home for Widows, Orphans and Aged People, R. P. Church	3,500 00	
Suit: (J. A. Cummings)	3 30	
Office Furniture Account	250 00	
D. Gregg Endowment Bequest Mortgage Acc't	139,550 00	
Mortgage Account	9,609 74	
General Endowment Account	312,826 79	
Cash Account	19,8 9 93	
	$502,550 15	$502,550 15

Synopsis of the Report of the Treasurer of the Foreign Mission Fund of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, from March 30, 1900, to March 23, 1901.

The Receipts have been:

From Congregations	$9,161 53
From Sabbath Schools and Missionary Societies	3,023 88
From Individuals and Bequests	4,351 55
From Synod Board of Trustees Dividend D. Gregg Estate	680 95
From Synod Board of Trustees Dividend from Invested Funds	2,203 04
From Synod Board of Trustees Dividend J. R. McKee Endowment	51 25
For Debt of this Account	110 00
Total Receipts	$19,582 20

The Expenditures have been:

For salaries	$ 11,630 61	
For Mission Expenses, Tarsus	4,652 43	
For Mission Expenses, Latakia	4,793 47	
For Mission Expenses, Cyprus	1,454 95	
For Mission Expenses, Suadia	730 00	
For Medical Supplies, Suadia	13 96	
For Medical Supplies, Cyprus	99 07	
For Medical Supplies, Latakia	159 84	
For Shipping Expenses	445 44	
For Small Items, Printing, etc	46 12	
For Traveling Expenses, Rev. T. P. Stevenson	16 00	
For Traveling Expenses Rev. J. Boggs Dodds	648 34	
For Traveling Expenses, Dr. S. A. S. Metheny	195 41	
Total Expenditures	$ 24,885 64	
The Excess Expenditures over Receipts being		$ 5,303 44
Which added to Overdraft March 30, 1901		8,038 06
Makes this account overdrawn at date		$ 13,341 50

WALTER T. MILLER, *Treas.*

Summary of Report of the National Reform Financial Agent, from June 1, 1900, to May 31, 1901.

RECEIPTS.

1900.			
June 1.	Balance on hand		$ 518 45
	Collected by Prof. J. R. Dill	$ 1,043 65	
	Collected by Dr. H. H. George	1,680 37	
	Collected by Rev. W. H. McMaster	320 30	
	Collected by Rev. J. M. Foster	30 30	
	Collected by Rev. R. M. Blackwood	89 50	
	Collected by Dr. T. P. Stevenson	138 00	
	Sent direct to Treasury by Congregations, Societies, Individuals, etc	1,575 25	
			$ 4,884 02
			$ 5,402 47

DISBURSEMENTS.

1900.			
June 1.	Paid Telephone		$ 23 05
	Paid Hugh McCarroll, expenses		18 86
	Paid Bills of Printing		369 80
	Paid Rent of Office		75 00
	Paid Armor Lithographing Co		30 00
	Paid Dr. S. F. Scovel, expenses		6 50
	Paid R. C. Wylie, expenses		26 16
	Dr. T. P. Stevenson, collected by himself	$ 138 00	
	Dr. T. P. Stevenson, directly from Treasury	22 00	$ 160 00
	Prof. J. R. Dill, collected by himself	1,043 65	
	Prof. J. R. Dill, directly from Treasury	210 00	1,253 65
	Dr. H. H. George, collected by himself	1,680 37	
	Dr. H. H. George, directly from Treas'y	428 99	2,109 36
	Rev. W. H. McMaster, collected by himself	320 95	
	Rev. W. H. McMaster, directly from Treasury	140 00	460 95

Rev. J. M. Foster, collected by himself	36 30	
Rev. J. M. Foster, directly from Treasury, on expenses of Boston Convention	50 00	86 30
Rev. R. M. Blackwood, collected by himself		89 50
		$ 4,709 13
Balance on hand		693 34
		$ 5,402 47

R. C. WYLIE, *Treas.*

Report of Anna M. Sproull, Treasurer of the Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association, for the Year Ending March 1, 1901.

WARDROBE COMMITTEE MEMORIAL ROOM.

March 1, 1900		$ 2 25	
Sept. 22, 1900		58	
Feb. 26, 1901		15	
			$ 2 98
Expended for furnishing			2 98

DR. S. O. AND JEAN W. WYLIE ROOM.

March 1, 1900.	Balance	$ 1 41	
March 1, 1901.	Balance		$ 1 41

MR. AND MRS. DAVID GREGG ROOM.

March 1, 1900.	Balance	$179 48	
March 1, 1901.	Interest	6 00	
March 1, 1901.	Balance		$185 48

MR. DAVID TORRENCE ROOM.

March 1, 1900.	Balance	$300 00	
March 1, 1901.	Interest	12 00	
March 1, 1901.	Balance		$312 00

REV. JOSEPH AND MARY A. HUNTER ROOM.

March 1, 1900.	Balance	$277 50	
March 1, 1901.	Interest	10 00	
March 1, 1901.	Balance		$287 50

MISS LIZZIE HUNTER ROOM.

March 1, 1900.	Balance	$277 50	
March 1, 1901.	Interest	10 00	
March 1, 1901.	Balance		$287 50

REV. DAVID AND MRS. M. E. MCKEE ROOM.

March 1, 1900.	Balance	$150 00	
March 1, 1901.	Interest	6 00	
March 1, 1901.	Balance		$156 00
	Paid Balance on Wardrobe Purchase last year		1 00
	Balance		155 00

MRS. EDA S. E. MCKEE ROOM.

March 1, 1900.	Balance	$171 54	
March 1, 1901.	Interest	6 00	
		177 54	
Aug. 21, 1900.	Cleaning Carpet	1 98	
March 1, 1901.	Balance		$175 56

MR. AND MRS. JOHN A. MCKEE ROOM.

March 1, 1900.	Balance	$168 43	
March 1, 1901.	Interest	6 00	
		174 43	
Aug. 21, 1900.	Cleaning Carpet	1 00	
March 1, 1901.	Balance		$173 43

MISS MARGARET E. GALBRAITH ROOM.

March 1, 1900.	Balance	$164 50	
March 1, 1901.	Interest	6 00	
March 1, 1901.	Balance		$170 50

SAMUEL MCKEE MEMORIAL BED.

March 1, 1900.	Balance	$ 56 07	
March 1, 1901.	Interest	2 00	
March 1, 1901.	Balance		$ 58 07

SAMUEL MCKEE ROOM.

March 1, 1900.	Expense for furnishing	$ 66 66	
March 1, 1901.	Overdrawn		$ 66 66

HENRY SMYTHE INVESTED FUND.

March 1, 1900.	Balance	$ 41 34	
March 1, 1900.	Interest	1 60	
		$ 42 94	
Feb. 28, 1901	Interest paid Mr. Smythe	2 94	
March 1, 1901.	Balance		$ 40 00

MRS. REBECCA CAMERON INVESTED FUND.

March 1, 1900.	Balance	$377 03	
March 1, 1901.	Interest	14 08	
April 31, 1900.	Cash add. from sale	40	
July 11, 1900.	Cash	11 00	
Feb. 13, 1901.	Cash	11 00	
		$413 51	
Feb. 28, 1901.	Interest paid to Mrs. Cameron	14 08	
March 1, 1901.	Balance		$399 43

MISS SARAH J. ISAAC INVESTED FUND.

March 16, 1900.	Cash	$ 5 00	
March, 1900.	Cash	135 00	
March 1900.	Cash	200 00	
Sept. 12, 1900.	Cash	65 00	
Nov. 22, 1900.	Cash	200 00	
Feb. 28, 1901.	Six Months' Interest	12 10	
		$617 10	
Feb. 28, 1901.	Interest paid to Miss Isaac	12 10	
	Balance		$605 00

NANCY GREGORY PROPERTY ACCOUNT.

Feb. 1, 1901.	Cash	$ 25 60	

REBECCA LAW PROPERTY ACCOUNT.

March 1, 1900.	Balance	$238 86	
March 1, 1901.	Balance		$238 86

MEMORIAL INTEREST ACCOUNT.

March 1, 1901.	Interest on Invested Fund	$ 84 00	
March 1, 1901.	Interest on Deposit	117 05	
	Total	$201 05	

DISBURSEMENTS.

March 1, 1901.	Mr. and Mrs. David Gregg, Room Int.	$ 6 00	
	Rev. D and M. E. McKee, Room Int..	6 00	
	Mrs. Eda S. E, McKee, Room Int	6 00	
	Mr. and Mrs. John A. McKee, Room Int	6 00	
	Rev. Jos. & Mary A. Hunter, Room Int.	10 00	
	Miss Lizzie Hunter, Room Int	10 00	
	Miss Margaret E. Galbraith, Room Int.	6 00	
	Mr. David Torrence, Room Int	12 00	
	Mr. Samuel McKee, Room Int	2 00	
	Henry Smythe, Int. Account	1 60	
	Mrs. Rebecca Cameron, Int. Account..	14 08	
	Miss Sarah J. Isaac, Int Account	12 10	
	Mortgage Fund	98 29	
	Balance to House Expense	10 98	
			$201 05

DONATION AND RECEPTION DAY.

Oct. 9, 1900.	Mrs. Alex. Beattie, Saltsburg, Pa	$ 1 00	
	Mrs. J. P. Cox, Middle Wheeling, W. Va.	1 00	
	Prof. and Mrs. D. B. Willson, Allegheny, Pa	5 00	
	Mr. and Mrs. John Allen, Allegheny, Pa.	5 00	
	Dr. & Mrs. J. W. Sproull, Allegheny, Pa.	5 00	
	Mr. and Mrs. Jas. B. Scott, Beaver Falls, Pa	5 00	
	Mrs. Wm Hamilton, Pittsburgh, Pa	5 00	
	Mrs. George Simpson, Pittsburgh, Pa...	1 00	
	Miss S. E. Gemmill, Allegheny, Pa	25	
	Mrs. M. D. Anderson, Allegheny, Pa....	3 00	
	Mrs. M. D. Anderson, Allegheny, Pa....	2 00	
	Mr. James Logan, Rochester, N. Y	10 00	
	Mrs. Helen A. Trumbull, Allegheny, Pa.	3 00	
	Mrs. Mina Caskey Lowe, Allegheny, Pa.	1 00	
	Miss Maggie W. Caskey, Allegheny, Pa.	1 00	
	Miss Sadie E. Caskey, Allegheny, Pa. ...	1 00	
	Mrs. Martha Musser, Pittsburgh, Pa....	1 00	
	Miss Spence, Pittsburgh, Pa	5 00	
	Mrs. W J. Ward, Wilkinsburg, Pa	1 00	
	Mrs. Thomas H. Boyd, Allegheny, Pa ..	5 00	
	Dr. and Mrs. D. C. Martin, E. E., Pittsburgh, Pa	25 00	
	Mrs. J. J. Gilchrist, Allegheny, Pa	1 00	
	Mr. A. W. Pollock, Pittsburgh, Pa	5 00	
	Mrs. John Crawford, Wilkinsburg	1 00	
	Mrs. John H. Ward, Wilkinsburg, Pa ..	2 00	
	Mrs. James F. McKee, Pittsburgh, Pa...	2 00	

Mrs. J. McGrew, Pittsburgh, Pa.	1 00	
Miss Anderson, Pittsburgh, Pa.	50	
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Porter, Allegheny, Pa.	1 00	
Cash on Floor, Allegheny, Pa.	05	
Cash	1 00	
Dr. and Mrs. D. McAllister, Allegheny, Pa.	10 00	
Miss Veda McAllister, Allegheny, Pa.	1 00	
Mrs. R. J. Haslett, Allegheny, Pa.	1 00	
Mrs. William Holmes, Allegheny, Pa.	50	
Mrs. William Martin, Allegheny, Pa.	1 00	
Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Coleman, Allegheny, Pa.	5 00	
Miss Jean Martin, Allegheny, Pa.	1 00	
Miss Alice Barbour, Allegheny, Pa.	1 00	
Cash	50	
Mrs. John T. Morton, Allegheny, Pa.	25 00	
Mrs. D. S. Anderson, Allegheny, Pa.	3 00	
A Friend	50	
Mr. W. McBurney	50	
Mr. McKnight	50	
Mr. H. McMillan	1 00	
Mr. John T Morton	5 00	
Miss Mary Cratty, Bellair, O.	1 00	
Mrs. M. E. McKee, Clarinda, Iowa	5 00	
Mrs. Eda S. E. McKee, Allegheny, Pa.	5 00	
Mrs. Charles Hanna, Allegheny, Pa.	5 00	
A Friend	50	
Miss Bessie Lowe	1 00	
		$174 80

DONATIONS.

April 14.	R. A. McCoy, Fairmont, Ind.	$ 50	
April 25.	Prof. D. B. Willson, Allegheny, Pa.	1 75	
June 9.	L. M. S. Pittsburgh Pres.	6 00	
July 25.	Mrs. Ann McFerron	15 00	
Aug. 6.	Mrs. H. P. McClurkin	1 00	
Oct. 20.	Mrs. Ann McFerron	15 00	
Oct. 3.	Mrs. Margaret McFarland, Medeyville, Ind.	5 00	
Oct. 3.	Cash	6 50	
Oct. 3.	Mrs. John T. Morton, Allegheny, Pa.	1 15	
Nov. 15.	Grace K. Martin, Allegheny, Pa.	1 00	
Nov. 15.	T. Reed Martin, Allegheny, Pa.	1 00	
Nov. 15.	Mrs. Dr. Sykes, Allegheny, Pa.	1 00	
Nov. 15.	Mr. R. J. Stenson, Allegheny, Pa.	5 00	
July 25.	Creamery Stock, Ohio	5 20	
Jan. 9.	From Conscience, N. Y.	1 00	
Jan. 30.	Mrs. A. P. Hensleigh, Morning Sun	2 00	
Jan. 30.	Miss Evadna Sterrett, Mersine, Turkey	2 00	
Jan. 30.	Mr. and Mrs. Robert English, Pittsburgh, Pa.	5 00	
Jan. 30.	S. School Class, New Concord, O.	25	
Jan. 30.	Mr. Robert Spear, New Concord, O.	25	
Jan. 30.	Rev. C. A. Dodds, Latakia, Syria	2 00	
			$ 77 60

MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

1900.			
March 31.	L. M. S. Southfield, Mich.	$ 6 00	
April 22.	L. M. S. Second Philadelphia Cong.	10 00	
April 22.	L. M. S., New Castle Cong.	4 00	
			$ 20 00

CONGREGATIONAL COLLECTIONS.

Balance March 1, 1900			$ 17 86
April 11,	Slippery Rock Cong., Pa	$ 4 00	
April 25.	Muskingum and Tomica, Ohio	45	
April 25.	Mercer and Adamsville, Pa	1 50	
April 25.	Lake Reno, Minn	3 00	
April 25.	North Salem, Ohio	1 00	
April 25.	Union, Pa	76	
May 20.	Brooklyn, N. Y	4 10	
June 6.	Lochiel, Canada	2 40	
July 11.	New Galilee, Pa	11 25	
Sept. 10.	Third Philadelphia Pa	6 52	
Nov. 15.	Seattle Cong., Wash	2 50	
Nov. 15.	Third Philadelphia, Pa., Add	50	
Nov. 15.	Muskingum and Tomica, Ohio, Add	1 45	
Dec. 5.	Wilkinsburg, Pa	18 67	
Feb. 25.	West Hebron, N. Y	1 00	
			$ 59 10
			$ 76 96
	Interest paid J. T. Martin, Treasurer	$210 00	
	Balance overdrawn taken from house exp		$133 04
	Overdrawn		$210 00

MANAGER'S CONTINGENT FUND.

1901.			
March 1.	Balance	$13 00	
	Receipts	20 25	
			$ 33 25
	Disbursements		17 05
1901			
March 1.	Balance		$ 16 20

JERSEY COW FUND.

1901.			
March 1.	Balance		20 00
March 31.	L. M. S., of York, N. Y	$ 2 00	
April 10.	Mr. Howard Brown, Pittsburgh, Pa	1 00	
April 20.	Mrs. D. McAllister, Pittsburgh, Pa	1 00	
Feb. 11.	Mrs M. G. Euwer, Parnassus, Pa	$ 1 00	
Feb. 27.	A. B. Copeland	50	
Feb. 27.	Master Robert Campbell	25	
	Proceeds from bazaar given by Isabella Allen, Edna Anderson, Marie McKee	113 50	$119 25
	Balance		$ 139 25

FURNISHING ROOMS

1900.			
March 1.	Balance	$34 65	
March 1.	Rev. D. and M E. McKee, Balance on Wardrobe last year	1 00	
1901.		$ 35 65	
March 1.	Balance		$ 35 65

MORTGAGE FUND.

Balance March 1st, 1900		$2,457 26

PER MRS. D. S. GAILEY.

Miss Aggie Rhodes, Livermore, Pa	$ 1 00	
Duncan McAllister, Parnassus, Pa.	1 00	
Margery McAllister, Parnassus, Pa	1 00	
Dr. Brown, Parnassus, Pa	1 00	
Harriet Alter, Parnassus, Pa	1 00	
Mrs. Amanda Vantassell, Apollo, Pa	3 00	
Mr George Clark	50	
Cash	50	
Miss Lizzie Brown, New Alexandria, Pa	1 00	
		$ 10 00

PER MRS. D. S. ANDERSON.

Mrs. Maggie Wilson	$ 2 00	
		$ 2 00

PER MISS S. E. CASKEY.

Mr. James Anderson, Allegheny, Pa	$ 5 00	
Mr. John R Lowe, Allegheny, Pa	1 00	
		$ 6 00

PER MRS. JOHN AIKIN.

Dr. William A. Russell, Allegheny, Pa	$ 1 00	
		$ 1 00

PER MRS. THOS. BOYD.

Mr. Thomas H. Boyd, Pittsburgh, Pa	$ 25 00	
		$ 25 00

PER MRS. JOHN T. MORTON.

Mr. Thomas S. McKee, Los Angeles, Cal.	$100 00	
Mrs. Martha Grier, Pittsburgh, Pa	5 00	
Mrs. Robert C. McKee, Wilkinsburg, Pa	5 00	
Mrs. Fred Eshelmen, Allegheny, Pa.	5 00	
Prof. and Mrs. D. B. Willson, Allegheny, Pa.	25 00	
Mr. J. W. Drape	10 00	
		$150 00

PER MRS. EDA S. E. MCKEE.

Friend from Clarinda, Ia	$ 5 00	
A Friend, Pennsylvania	10 00	
		$ 15 00

PER MRS. WILLIAM HICE.

Mrs. D. S. Erwin, Cedarville, O	$ 4 00	
		$ 4 00

PER MRS. N. BLACKWOOD.

Mr. J. Haslep, Pittsburgh, Pa	$ 2 00	
		$ 2 00

PER MRS. GEORGE SIMPSON, PITTSBURGH.

Mrs. G. L. Holliday, Pittsburgh, Pa.	$ 5 00	
Mrs. W. M. Martin, Pittsburgh, Pa	1 00	
Mr. J. H. Redpath, Pittsburgh, Pa	1 00	
Mr. S. Cooper, Pittsburgh, Pa	1 00	
Mrs. J. McGraw, Pittsburgh, Pa	1 00	
Mrs. J. Florence, Pittsburgh, Pa	50	
Mrs. Little, Pittsburgh, Pa	50	
Mr. A. Gillander, Pittsburgh, Pa	50	
Mr. Howe, Pittsburgh, Pa	50	
Mrs. Ford, Pittsburgh, Pa	20	
Mr. David Simpson, Pittsburgh, Pa	1 00	
Mrs. Frank, Pittsburgh, Pa	1 00	
Mrs. H. M. Caldwell, Pittsburgh, Pa	1 00	
Mr. George McCrea, Pittsburgh, Pa	1 00	
		$ 15 20
L. M. S., Pittsburgh, Presbytery	$ 5 00	
Miss Mary Wallace, Miller's Run, Pa	400 00	
A. M. Milligan Miss. Society of 8th St. R. P. Cong	25 00	
Mr. Thomas Greacen, N. Y	50 00	
Mrs. D. C. Martin, E. E , Pittsburgh, Pa	50 00	
Miss Hellen Crombie, Allegheny, Pa	5 00	
A Friend, Clarksburgh, Pa	5 00	
Sabbath School, 8th St. R. P. Cong	13 75	
Miss Gray, Mr. A. Gray and Daughters	5 00	
		$558 75
Total		$788 95
		3,246 21
Interest		98 29
Balance		$3,344 50

Summary.

INVESTED FUND.

March 1, 1900.	Loan of Bond and Mortgage		$1,400 00
March 1, 1901.	Loan of Bond and Mortgage	$1,400 00	
March 1, 1900.	Balance		$4,974 25

RECEIPTS.

Wardrobe Committee	73	
Nancy Gregory Property Account	25 60	
Sarah J. Isaac	605 00	
Rebecca Cameron	22 40	
Congregational Collections	59 10	
Manager's Contingent Fund	20 25	
Jersey Cow Fund	119 25	
Interest on Mortgage	84 00	
Interest on Bank Deposits	117 05	
Mortgage Fund	788 95	
Membership Dues	254 00	
Donations	272 40	
Admission Fees	600 00	
Boarding	97 78	
		$3,066 51
		$8,040 76

DISBURSEMENTS.

Pittsburgh Gazette	$ 2 60	
Furnishing S. McKee room	66 66	
Nancy Gregory, Traveling Expenses to St. Louis to see Physician	42 76	
Interest Rebecca Cameron	14 08	
Interest J. T. Morton, Treasurer	210 00	
Manager's Contingent Fund	17 05	
Interest Miss S. J. Isaac	12 10	
Salary of Matron	208 00	
Salary of Help	135 25	
Drugs	59 58	
House Allowance	117 00	
Heat and Light	74 72	
Meat	62 51	
Butter	77 02	
Milk	69 79	
Groceries	210 63	
Queensware	6 38	
Dry Goods and Shoes	16 94	
Nurse	35 00	
Hose	8 75	
Furniture and Stores	61 48	
Calsomining, Papering and Cleaning Carpets	17 78	
Plumbing	175 70	
Carpenter Work	65 76	
Printing Report	78 35	
Books and Stationery	16 40	
Notary Fees	2 00	
Insurance	10 00	
Express on Reports to Synod	1 95	
Funeral Expenses	50 90	
Carriage Hire	19 00	
Advertising Olive Trees	5 00	
Telephone	6 05	
Conscience Money	1 00	
Henry Smythe Interest	2 94	
		$1,961 13
Balance		6,079 63
Bond and Mortgage		1,400 00
		$7,479 63

The Temporary Investment Account of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in account with Walter T. Miller, Treasurer:

Cr.

1900.			
May 23.	By Balance as reported to Synod		$13,661 02
1901.			
May 17.	By Interest Earned to date		175 00

Dr.

1900.			
Aug. 1.	To Suadia Building Fund transferred to this account by order of Synod	$ 254 44	
	To Suadia Building Fund transferred this account by order of Synod, No. 2	177 41	
1901.			
May 17.	Balance carried down	13,404 17	
		$ 13,836 02	$ 13,836 02

Cr.

1901.		
May 17.	By Balance carried down	$ 13,404 17

The Mersine Hospital in account with Walter T. Miller, Treasurer:

Cr.

1900.		
May 14.	By Balance as reported to Synod.....	$ 210 77
	By Contributions from Congregations, Sabbath Schools and Missionary Societies for general purposes of Hospital.....	13 00
	Contributions from Individuals for support of Beds.....	60 00
		$ 283 77

Cr.

May 9.	By Balance carried down.....	$ 283 77

Syrian Hospital in account with Walter T. Miller, Treasurer:

Cr.

1900.		
May 14.	By Balance as reported to Synod.....	$ 917 02
	By Contributions from Congregations, Sabbath Schools, Missionary Societies, for general purposes of Hospital.....	243 00
	By Contributions from Missionary Societies for support of Beds.....	200 00
	By Individuals for support of Beds....	160 00

Dr.

1900.			
July 2.	To Cash, paid bill of P. C. Lorenz, for Surgical Instruments..... ..$	42 75	
1901.			
May 9.	Balance carried down.....	1,477 27	
		$ 1,520 02	$ 1,520 02

Cr.

May 9.	By Balance carried down.....	$ 1,477 27

The Fund for the Mission in China of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in account with Walter T. Miller, Treasurer:

Cr.

1900.		
May 14.	By Balance as reported to Synod.....	$ 3,747 60
	By Contributions acknowledged as received and reported in Christian Nation, from Congregations.....	1,399 09
	From Sabbath Schools, and Missionary Societies.....	649 97
	From Individuals and Bequests.....	462 86

Dr.

	For Salaries	$ 1,255 00	
	For Traveling Expenses, Miss Jennie. Torrence	53 34	
	For Traveling Expenses, Rev. A. I. Robb	505 84	
	For Outfit of Miss Jennie Torrence	160 00	
	For small Items, Cablegrams, Printing, etc	50 88	
May 9.	To Balance carried down	4,234 46	
		$ 6,259 52	$ 6,259 52

Cr.

May 9.	By Balance carried down	$ 4,234 46

The Building Fund for the Mission in China of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in account with Walter T. Miller, Treasurer:

Cr.

	By Contributions from Sabbath Schools and Missionary Societies		$ 38 35
1900.			
	Individuals and Bequests		600 00
Nov. 17.	Proceeds of Sale of part of farm donated by Mr. Henry Martin in "memory of Mrs. Isabella Stewart Martin" $1,000		998 25
	Expenses $1 75		
1901.			
Apr. 19.	Proceeds of Sale of part of farm in Illinois donated by Mr. Henry Martin in memory of his wife, Mrs. Isabella Martin $700		689 15
	Expenses $10 85		

Dr.

1900.			
May 14.	To Balance as reported to Synod	$1,420 84	
1901.			
May 9.	To Balance carried down	904 91	
		$ 2,325 75	$2,325 75
May 9.	By Balance carried down		$904 91

The Church Erection Fund of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in account with Walter T. Miller, Treasurer:

Cr.

1900.			
May 14.	By Balance as reported to Synod	$3,013 59	
	By Contributions acknowledged as received and reported in "Christian Nation" from Congregations	873 00	
	From Individuals and Bequests	107 36	
	From Synod Board of Trustees Dividend D. Gregg estate	197 57	
	From Synod Board of Trustees Dividend from Invested Funds	170 00	
	Total Receipts		$4361 52

Dr.

1900.			
June 21.	Appropriation to Quinter Kas. Congregation	$ 300 00	
June 23.	Appropriation to New Castle Congregation	$2,000 00	
1901.			
Feb. 9.	Appropriation to Holmwood Congregation	300 00	
Mar. 23.	Appropriation to the Kansas City, Mo. Congregation	500 00	
May 9.	To Balance carried down	$1,261 52	
		$4,361 52	$4,361 52

Cr.

1901.		
May 9.	By Balance carried down	$1,261 52

Literary Fund of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in account with Walter T. Miller, Treas.

Dr.

1900.			
May 14.	To Balance as reported to Synod	$1,239 59	
June 30.	To Cash paid J. W. Sproull, rent of Safe Deposit Box in Allegheny City	5 00	
July 30.	To Cash, bill of Wallace Spooner for printing Minutes of Synod	214 33	
Aug. 6.	To Cash paid Joint Revision Committee on Psalter, by order of Synod	10 00	
	To Cash paid premium on Insurance Policy on Testimonies, Plates, etc., affected in the North River Ins. Co.,	6 65	
Oct. 13.	Apportionment of the Reformed Presbyterian Church the current expenses of the Presbyterian Alliance	60 00	

Cr.

	By Contributions from Congregations		$ 251 56
	By Individuals		3 06
	From Sale of Testimonys and Books of Discipline		16 38
	From Sale of Psalters to date through Rev. R. M. Sommerville		244 69
	From Sale of Memorial Volumes		3 15
	From Sale of Selection of Psalms		6 78
	From Sales of Minutes of Synod to date by Rev. S. G. Shaw		184 08
1901.			
May 9.	By Balance carried down		825 97
		$1,535 57	$1,535 57

Dr.

1901.		
May 9.	To Balance carried down	$825 97

The following was adopted :

Whereas, there is in the minds of many in the Church a doubt as to the distinction between the two funds, Sustentation and Domestic Mission, resulting in a tendency among weak congregations to determine the funds to which they shall apply by whichever of these two funds promises at the time the greater benefits and the easier conditions ;

Resolved, that a committee be appointed to formulate conditions of application and of distribution which shall apply equally to each of these funds so as to put all congregations applying for aid on equal footing as to benefits received and requirements to be met ; said committee to report to Synod next year.

[Signed] A. J. McFarland, Jr.,
J. S. McGaw,
T. H. Acheson,
P. J. McDonald,
M. M. Pearce,
B. M. Sharp,
James McCune,
Wm. C. Paden,
F. M. Wilson,
D. C. Faris,
W. J. Sanderson,
J. C. Slater,
S. J. Johnston,
G. R. McBurney,
G. M. Robb,
T. J. Allen,
John K. Robb.

J. R. Latimer was excused.

Devotional exercises were held, T. P. Robb leading.

Recess till half-past two was taken. Prayer by J. M. Faris.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Synod came to order and was opened with prayer by W. J. McKnight.

The calling of the roll was omitted.

The Committee on Nominations reported as follows :

Committee to confer with committee from Christian Reformed Church looking towards closer relations,—R. J. George, J. McCracken, R. C. Wylie.

Committee to formulate plan for more equitable distribution of Home Mission and Sustentation Funds,—D. H. Coulter, F. M. Foster, D. C. Martin, T. G. Graham, Robert Wylie.

Delegates to attend Psalm-singing Convention in 1902,—J. C. McFeeters, R. J. George, H. H. George, Thomas McFall, D. B. Willson, D. C. Martin, W. J. Coleman, Walter T. Miller, John W. Pritchard.

The committee also recommended that any ministers or elders who may be able to cross the water next year be accredited as delegates to the Convention.

C. D. Trumbull, J. W. Pritchard, G. M. Robb, and J. S. Martin were appointed a committee to secure reduced railroad rates to next meeting of Synod.

The Board of Control reported. Adopted. The report of this Board for 1900 which through oversight was omitted in last year's minutes is here inserted.

Report of Board of Control for 1900.

Board of Control of Synod's Benevolent Funds, desire to report:

Our first meeting was held at Wyman, Ia., on June 20th, 1899.

The Board organized by electing C. D. Trumbull president, and T. P. Robb secretary.

The preparation of forms to be used in the reception of applications for various funds, and rules under which the Board will proceed, was put into the hands of a committee, to report at a future meeting.

For the present the Board adopted the blank forms used by Synod's Board of Corporators, formerly in control of the funds.

At our second meeting, held in Morning Sun, Sept. 20th, 1899, the board considered applications from seven ministers. One of these withdrew his application, and another the Board declined to grant. Five persons were granted aid from this fund.

The fund for Widows and Orphans of deceased ministers was drawn upon by grants of funds to twelve persons.

While the fund for ministers was full, and shows a balance carried over to next year, the fund for Widows and Orphans paid only a percentage of the appropriations made.

In no case did the Board appropriate more than they judged really necessary for the welfare of the applicants. We desire that Synod will take measures to secure an increase of these funds, that material aid may be placed within the reach of those who are deserving applicants.

Not feeling that we were in possesion of such facts as were necessary for a proper and just distribution of the students' fund, at our request, Synod's Board of Trustees administered the students' fund the past year.

At a meeting heldin Washington, March 20th, 1900, the Board adopted a system of blanks, applications, and information sheets, which are herewith submitted for the inspection and approval, or amendment of Synod.

The term of office to which C. D. Trumbull, and S. E. McElhinny were chosen expires at this meeting, and Synod is asked to choose their successors.

Respectfully submitted,

C. D. Trumbull, *President.*

T. P. Robb, *Secretary.*

Report of Synod's Board of Control for 1901.

Your Board held one meeting during the year, at which the entire business entrusted to us was transacted.

Four ministers filed applications with us, in the regular order, by recommendation of Presbytery and Synod. One application came to us direct, and was acted upon favorably, because there was not an opportunity to come in the regular way, after the dissolution of the pastoral relation.

Five ministers were thus enabled to draw funds from our treasury, and, to these was granted an aggregate of eleven hundred and fifty ($1150.00) dollars.

Twelve applications for a share of the fund for Widows and Orphans received favorable consideration, and an aggregate of twelve hundred ($1200.00) dollars was allowed.

Eight Students of Theology were allowed $175.00 each, and one, a third year student, $90.00.

A bill of $10.50, for printing and postage was also allowed.

The Treasurer was authorized to take from students a form of obligation that would be in harmony with the action of Synod last year, and to let the same action cover the cases of students of former years.

The death of Rev. R. B. Cannon, D. D., takes from our list one of our older ministers, his death occurring shortly after our meeting. He had served the church during a long ministry. His last years were spent in retirement, and at the end he was an entire charge on his two daughters, who watched with him faithfully to the end.

The applications for help from the fund for Widows and Orphans are out of proportion to the funds at the disposal of the Board. It has been our effort to render all the help we can, and in proportion to the need of the applicants.

We need a much larger fund, if we are to continue to help the widows and children of deceased ministers, as heretofore.

We ask Synod to consider carefully the accompanying draft of rules, by which the Board is to be guided in the distribution of funds in the future. It will be remembered that in no case, has the Board a fund that could be drawn upon for a *salary* to be paid to a retired minister. It is purely a benevolent fund—one intended for use in the case of minister or family of minister, who is not able to earn a livelihood.

It would be a splendid achievement if the church were in a position to say to ministers, after a long life of faithful service, you may now retire from active labor, and we will pay you what will be a comfortable annuity while you live. We can only offer a little help, to those who would otherwise suffer.

We appeal to you on behalf of the widows and children's fund, and ask that a more ample provision be made for them.

The time for which T. P. Robb and R. P. McClemment were elected expires at this meeting, and we ask that their successors be elected.

We ask for the Aged Ministers Fund, $1500.00; Widows and Orphans, $2000.00.

Respectfully submitted,

T. P. Robb, *Secretary.*

RULES OF THE BOARD.

I. Aged Ministers' Fund.

1. Only ordained ministers of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America in regular standing in the church, are entitled to aid from this fund.

2. Only those who are disabled by disease or injuries or by the infirmities of age, so as to be unable to sustain themselves by some suitable employment are entitled to aid.

3. All applications for aid must be approved by the Presbytery of which the applicant is a member.

4. Each application must be renewed from year to year, and must be filed with the Secretary of the Board on or before the first day of November of each year.

5. The annual meeting for the distribution of funds will be held on or about the second Tuesday of November. All applications for aid from this fund will be considered at this meeting.

II. Widows and Orphans Fund.

1. Only widows of ordained ministers in regular standing in the Synod of Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America at the time of death and children of such ministers, who are under the age at which they are able to earn their own living, and, in exceptional cases, children of such ministers who are chronic invalids, are entitled to aid from this fund.

2. Except in extraordinary cases no appropriation will be made to the widow of a minister who has children able to give her support.

3. All applications for aid must be approved by the session of the congregation to which the applicant belongs and also by the Presbytery in the bounds of which the applicant resides.

4. Each application must be renewed from year to year and must be filed with the Secretary of the Board on or before the first day of November of each year.

5. The annual meeting for the distribution of funds will be held on or about the second Tuesday of November. All applications for aid from this fund will be considered at this meeting.

The following resolution was adopted:

The Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, convening at Pittsburgh, Pa., has learned, with deep regret and alarm, of the recent opening of the "Pan-American Exposition," at Buffalo, New York, on the Sabbath, and of the proposed continuance of such open desecration of the Sabbath, until the close of that Exposition.

Resolved, That we, as a Synod, declare this flagrant disregard of the Lord's Day, as being at once a violation of Civil Law, an affront to the Christian conscience of the country, a great injustice to vast multitudes of toilers, an evil example to law breakers in general, a wicked departure from the Reverent Custom of the Fathers of the Republic, and an offence to Almighty God, the Gracious Giver of that blessed day for rest and worship. And we, as a Synod, further declare that such a flagrant desecration of the Sabbath, imperils the present and eternal welfare of thousands of our fellow-men ; is provocative of Divine judgments, and is deserving of universal condemnation.

Therefore Resolved, that We, as a Synod, do hereby earnestly urge your officials to close the doors of that Exposition to the public during all the hours of that sacred day, and until the final closing of that Exposition, in accordance with the law of God, and of that Commonwealth.

Resolved, That the officers of Synod are instructed to report this Action of Synod to the Exposition officials, and give it to the Public Press for publication.

It was ordered that twenty-five copies of the Minutes of Synod be donated to Rev. A. J. Van den Heuvel for distribution in the Christian Reformed Church.

The Clerk was instructed to issue eight hundred and fifty copies of the Minutes, draw upon the Literary Fund to meet the expense, and sell them at thirty cents a copy, including postage.

He was likewise instructed to draw an order on the Literary Fund for $1.75 in favor of David McAllister for printing Order of Business for this meeting.

The Committee on Discipline submitted a majority, and also a minority report.

Laid on the table till next Synod, and to be published in the Appendix of the Minutes.

The Committee on Sustentation and Church Erection reported. Adopted and is as follows :

Sustentation and Church Erection.

The Committee on Sustentation and Church Erection report. There have been placed in our hands the reports of the Boards of Sustentation and Church Erection.

These Boards are faithfully doing an important work for the church, and are deserving of hearty commendation and support. Under their fostering care our struggling congregations have called out their latent power to help themselves, and are put in a better condition for enjoying the ministrations of the gospel and gathering in the travail of the Redeemer's soul.

In the matter of sustentation, however, your Committee would call attention to the fact that some of the congregations receiving aid from this fund, are contributing almost as much to the general schemes of benevolence as to the salary of the pastor. While we would urge a generous support to be given to all the schemes of the church, we fail

to see the propriety or justice of a congregation able to raise, for example, a thousand dollars annually, giving such a disproportionate amount as four or five hundred dollars only to its pastor's salary, and then looking to the Board of Sustentation to make up the balance, so as to bring the salary to the minimum. It seems to us that when a congregation obligates itself to strive to reach the minimum salary, that obligation should hold the first place until it is discharged. The congregation, like the individual, should meet its claims at home before extending its generosity abroad. It is here as in the natural case, "If any man provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel."

We would present the following recommendations :

1st. That the reports of these boards, as heretofore, be published with the minutes of Synod.

2nd. That R. M. Sommerville, Robert McAfee, Henry O'Neil, A. Alexander, S. K. McGuire, and F. M. Foster, whose time as members of the Board of Church Erection has expired, be elected as their own successors.

3rd. That pastors be urged to press the claims of these schemes on the liberality of the people, and that as the Board of Sustentation is still far from being able to meet in full the present and increasing demands that are being made upon it, special efforts be put forth to enable it to do its work still more efficiently.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. Black,
E. G Elsey,
J. H. Pritchard,
Robert McNeill,
D. Chesnut.

Committee.

SUSTENTATION.

To the Synod of the Ref. Pres. Church, to meet in Pittsburgh, P.A., May 29, 1901 :

The Board of Sustentation would respectfully report. Applications for aid from this Board have been made by the following Congregations, viz :

Barnet, Cedarville, Lochiel, Slippery Rock, Sterling, Kan., Syracuse, West Hebron, White Lake and Vernon.

The amount asked for by these congregations is three thousand two hundred and twenty-two dollars ($3,222).

The amount of money in the treasury is three thousand, one hundred twenty five dollars and 52 cents ($3,125.52).

Of this amount Prov. 3:9 contributed Fifteen hundred ($1,500) dollars, and the dividend from D. Gregg Real Estate Endowment was one hundred, ninety seven dollars and 57 cents ($197,57).

The amount of salary paid by each Congregation, the amount paid per member, the deficit in salary in, and the supplement paid by the Board to each Congregation are shown by the following statement, viz:

CONGREGATIONS.	No. Members.	Am't Salary Paid by Cong.	Am't Paid per Member.	Deficit.	Supplement by Board.
Barnet.....	54	*a*$450.00	$8.33	$304.00	$294.88
Cedarville.....	49	600.00	12.24	200.00	194.00
Jonathan's Creek..	42	500.00	11.90	300.00	291 00
Lochiel.....	32	*b* 450.00	14.06	350.00	339.50
Slippery Rock.....	64	550.00	8.59	250.00	242.50
Sterling, Kan.....	80	640.00	8.00	160.00	155.20
Syracuse	74	592 00	8.00	608.90	589.76
West Hebron.....	34	350.00	10.29	450.00	436.50
White Lake.....	52	500.00	9 62	300.00	291.00
Vernon	48	500.00	10.42	300.00	291.00
				$3222.00	$31 5 34

a Rec'd $46 for preaching at Ryegate. *b* Including manse $50.

The Board has been able to pay 97 per cent. of the deficit, and have left in the treasury a balance of $174.00.

The Mission Conference was advised that Beulah, Eskridge, and Superior Congregations have been recommended to the Sustentation Board. Your Board sincerely hopes that the church will so increase its contributions to this fund, that it will be enabled, at the close of the ensuing year, to pay the full amount of the deficit in the salaries of the pastors who are recommended to it by their presbyteries. We ask for an appropriation of five thousand (5,000) dollars.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. SPROULL, *Chairman.*
A. C. COULTER, *Secretary.*
W. J. COLEMAN, *Cor. Secretary.*

CHURCH ERECTION.

The Board of Church Erection would respectfully report:

The work which Synod has intrusted to the care of the Board of Church Erection, has been carried forward with due appreciation of its importance. There has not been much activity, however, in church-building during the year. But your Board has sought to encourage those who contemplate the erection of churches, especially new congregations with hopeful outlook, to secure, if possible, a house of worship.

Kansas City.—An appropriation was made to Kansas City congregation in November, 1899. They were to lift a small mortgage, and thus, with the appropriation, go out of debt. Through some exigency, they did not get the mortgage lifted until the past

winter. Once lifted, the Board's Treasurer forwarded the appropriation of $500.

Kansas City congregation now rejoices in a house of worship free of debt. The struggle, which has lasted for years, has displayed great courage, and has ended in triumph

Holmwood.—The Holmwood church was destroyed by fire in 1896. From that date the congregation worshipped in schoolhouses. A year or two ago, they began agitating the question of rebuilding. They called the Rev. R. A. Paden, and under his stimulating leadership a lot was purchased and the work carried forward. The house is 36x28 feet, and with the lot, was estimated to cost about $800. Your Board made an appropriation of $300, and rejoiced with them in the prospect of having a house for the worship of God.

Seattle.—In reference to Seattle your Board has nothing new to report. The $1,000 loaned by the direction of Synod (1895) to Seattle congregation, and the $1,000 used to buy a mortgage on the church property, and which was about to be foreclosed (1900), are still standing against the Seattle church property. No interest has been received up to the time when this report was closed for Synod.

Billings.—Covenanters are gathering into this stirring little town in Oklahoma, and are being shepherded by the Rev. W. C. Paden. The congregation lately organized has good prospects of growth. They have in mind the erection of a church suitable to their needs, but the matter has not yet taken definite form.

The Treasurer's Report shows :

Balance on hand, last report		$ 3013.59
Contributions from all sources		1347.93
Total available resources		$ 4361.52
Appropriations paid during year:		
Quinter	$ 300 00	
New Castle	2,000.00	
Kansas City	500.00	
Holmwood	300.00	
		$3,100.00
Balance in treasury		$1,261.52

The time for which R. M. Sommerville, Robert McAfee, Henry O'Neill, A. Alexander, S. K. McGuire, and the Secretary, F. M. Foster, were elected, has expired, and their places should be filled.

Your Board believes that an appropriation of $5,000 should be made to this scheme of the church's work.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT MCAFEE, *President.*
F. M. FOSTER, *Secretary.*

The Committee on Presbyterial Reports and Statistics reported. Adopted and is as follows:

Presbyterial Reports and Statistics.

There have been made by Clerks a number of mistakes in this year's reports. To guard against these in future, the following resume of the directions is given. The name of the Presbytery should be inserted in the blank left for that purpose. Only those blanks sent by the clerk,and stated clerk, should be used. Presbyterial reports should be mailed not later than May 15th. The number of officers and members of those congregations from which no reports have been received should be taken from last year's statistics, and so designated in a foot note. Congregational statistics received after May 15 should be returned to the senders, and not forwarded to the clerk. No additional columns should be added. Objects for which there are no columns, and which it is desirable to have mentioned, should be placed under "miscellaneous" and designated in a foot note. Cents should not be reported; figures should be placed under one another; each addition should be proved. The sum of the totals should equal the sum of all the other columns when added together. S. S. should follow the name of stated supplies.

Attention to these directions will save no little trouble as well as prevent mistakes.

The following is a summary of the statistics for the year 1900-1901. Statistics from 13 congregations and 1 mission station were taken from last year's reports.

Congregations, 112; Mission stations, 10; ministers, 125, two of whom are natives in Syria; Licentiates 20, 4 of whom are natives in Syria; Theological students 7, one of whom is a Syrian: communicants 9,733; increase 583, decrease 593; Sabbath School attendance 10,489; Young People's Societies 2,264; total contributions $186,260.00.

Congregations. The mission station at Billings, Oklahoma was organized into a congregation by a commission of Kansas Presbytery on the 13th of December, 1900. By the death of one of the two elders, Mansfield congregation became disorganized on the 5th of Jan. 1901, and from the same cause Sterling, N.Y., congregation became disorganized; 76 congregations have pastors; two are under the care of the Board of Foreign Missions, and four are supplied by pastors.

Mission Stations. Hetherton, Mich., was formed on May 31, 1900. Mansfield, O. and Sterling, N. Y. have become mission stations by the disorganization of the congregations. The mission among the Jews in Cincinnati is temporarily suspended; that in Philadelphia is under the care of Philadelphia Presbytery; 2 stations are supplied by pastors and 2 by licentiates. The Cache Creek and Oakland, Cal., Missions are under the care of the Central Board.

Ministers. There were three ordinations and installations, viz: Irvin Aikin, Blackwood, in the 4th New York, Nov. 1st, 1900; John Knox Robb, in La Junta congregation, Nov 9th, 1900; and John McLean Johnston, in Long Branch congregation, April 26th, 1901. Rev. James Thomas Wilson was received from the United Presbyterian Church by the Colorado Presbytery on the 12th of November, 1900.

There has been a decrease of 4. Rev. Robert Brown Cannon died in Chicago on the 29th of Nov., 1900, and Rev. Fergus Slater at Cedar Run, N. J., on the 21st of May, 1901. Two have united with other churches, viz: Rev. John Steele Duncan, with the Presbyterian Church, October 24th, 1900; and Rev. W. M. Hunter with the Associate Church, Dec. 24th, 1900. There is a net decrease of 1. The two native ministers in Syria are included in this year's report, which accounts for a seeming discrepancy. There are 76 pastors, an increase of 1; 3 have double charges. There were 4 dissolutions of the pastoral relation, namely: Rev. Samuel McCutchen Stevenson, from Tabor Congregation, Kansas Presbytery, Oct. 10th, 1900; Rev. John Steele Duncan, from Parnassus, Pittsburgh Presbytery, Oct. 24, 1900. Rev. James G. Reed, from Princeton, Illinois Presbytery, Nov. 13th, 1900; and Rev. John S. Thompson, from Utica, Ohio Presbytery, Dec. 30, 1900. There were three installations, viz: Rev. F. M. Wilson, over Youngstown Congregation, June 8th, 1900; Rev. Louis Meyer, Hopkinton Congregation, June 21st, 1900; Rev. John Slater Thompson, over First Beaver Falls, Jan. 4th, 1901.

Of the 48 unsettled ministers, 3 are laboring under the direction of the Central Board, 6 are foreign missionaries, 2 are professors in the Theological Seminary, 3 in Geneva College, 11 are stated supplies; 3 are engaged in reform work, one in testimony bearing, two are in other employments, and 9 on account of age or infirmity are unable to engage actively in the work of the ministry.

Licentiates. Robert Clarke was licensed by the Philadelphia Presbytery, July 10th, 1900; Norman L. Euwer, by the same Presbytery, April 9th, 1901; Herbert Brasson McMillan, by the Colorado Presbytery, May 11th, 1901; Wilmer George Robb, by the Ohio Presbytery, May 14th, 1901; Wilbur John McBurney, Hugh McCarroll, Edward Love McKnight, by the Pittsburgh Presbytery, May 14th, 1901. Messrs McBurney, McCarroll McMillan, McKnight, and Robb are third year students of Theology. Mr. Euwer severed his connection with our church to unite with the Presbyterian on the 21st of May, 1901.

Communicants. Iowa, Lakes, Ohio, Colorado, Philadelphia, Rochester, and New York Presbyteries, the Syrian commission and 43 congregations and 5 mission stations report a net decrease in membership; Illinois, Kansas, and Pittsburgh Presbyteries, 39 congregations and 1 mission station report a net increase. In Nova Scotia and New Brunswick and Vermont Presbyteries and 14 congregations no change is reported, while 20 make no report as to increase and decrease. The net decrease is ten.

Sabbath Schools and Young Peoples' Societies. The number reported in attendance in the former is 10,489 or 40 more than last year; in the latter 2264 or an increase of 95.

Contributions. There is reported an increase in the contributions to the Chinese Mission, of $710; the Southern, $455; the Indian, $354; the Jewish, $594; Theological Seminary, $77; Sustentation, $235; Church Erection, $17,689; aged ministers, $55; widows and orphans, $107; miscellaneous, $6,620; and totals, $21,525. And a decrease in the Syrian Missions, of $2,041; Home Mission, $2,290; National Reform, $755; Testimony Bearing, $36; salaries, $1,249. 15 of the congregations have manses.

J. W. SPROULL, *Stated Clerk.*

COLORADO PRESBYTERY.

Colorado Presbytery would report. The general conditions in our congregations are encouraging. La Junta which has been without a pastor since our beloved brother, D. G. Thompson was called home, is again provided with a pastor. J. K. Robb was ordained and installed over this congregation on Nov. 9th, 1900. On Nov. 12th, 1900, Rev. J. T. Wilson of the United Presbyterian church was received and his name entered on the roll. Rev. J. R. W. Stevenson was engaged in mission work in Idaho and Moro, Oregon, until called to the Indian Mission in February, 1901. Mr. Herbert B. McMillan was licensed on May 10th, 1900.

Our financial report shows an increase of $421.00 in contributions; the Sabbath School an increased attendance of 136.

We have held one regular and two called meetings of presbytery. The days of fasting and thanksgiving have been observed

The Oakland Chinese Mission is again under the superintendency of Mrs. N. R. Johnston.

The time of J. R. W. Stevenson is at the disposal of Synod after Nov. 1st, 1901.

David McAllister appeared before a recent meeting of Presbytery and on giving satisfactory evidence of reformation was restored to privileges as a member of the church.

Rev. J. M. Armour is recommended for share in aged ministers' fund.

Denver congregation is recommended to the Board of Church Erection for $1,000 to reduce its church debt.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. WYLIE, *Clerk.*

ILLINOIS PRESBYTERY.

Illinois Presbytery would respectfully report.

Since last meeting of Synod we have held one regular meeting.

We have nine congregations under our care. Six of these enjoy settled pastorates, one is vacant, and two are ministered to by Stated Supplies. G. W. Benn has been laboring as stated Supply in Staunton congregation for the past six months. This congregation seems to be taking on new life and has asked for the moderation of a call. Rev. S. Kingston is laboring as Stated Supply in Selma congregation. Rev. J. G Reed, having accepted a call to

labor in the Selma Mission was released, at his own request, from the pastorate of Princeton congregation, Nov. 17th, 1900. We have one student of Theology under our care, Mr. E. M. Elsey. Mr. Elsey has finished one year in the Seminary, and will labor for the summer in the Compromise Mission, Allegheny. Mrs. W. F. George is recommended to the Board of Control, for aid from the fund for widows and orphans of deceased ministers. We have but one vacancy, and they have asked to be allowed to supply themselves, hence we ask for no supplies for the year. Our statistical report has been forwarded.

Respectfully submitted, J. C. FRENCH, *Clerk.*

IOWA PRESBYTERY.

Iowa Presbytery would respectfully report:

Since the last meeting of Synod one regular meeting has been held, at which the attendance was good.

There are under the care of our Presbytery nine congregations' five of whom have settled pastors. Louis Meyer was installed pastor of Hopkinton congregation, June 21st, 1900, while Hickory Grove remains under the care of Rev. W. C. Allen, stated supply. Lake Reno congregation made a call on Licentiate D. O. Jack, which was declined. First Chicago has been under the care of Rev. Wm. McFarland as stated supply during the greater part of the year and shows a marked advance in the Sabbath School work. It continues under the care of Presbytery, and needs and deserves the prayers and contributions of the Church. We ask for one thousand dollars for 1st Chicago, and for one hundred and fifty dollars for Hickory Grove, and for one hundred dollars for Vernon. The pastoral relation between Rev Isaiah Faris and Vernon congregation has been dissolved by Presbytery, May 31st, 1901, at his own request. We have thus three vacant congregations, for which we ask the time of one laborer and one half, and have one minister, Rev. Isaiah Faris, not employed in regular pastoral work, whose full time is at the disposal of Synod. Licentiate John M. Johnston has been certified to Kansas Presbytery, and one student of Theology, Samuel E. Greer, is under our care.

Our statistical report was duly forwarded to the stated clerk of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS MEYER, *Clerk.*

KANSAS PRESBYTERY.

Kansas Presbytery has held two regular meetings during the year. We have seventeen congregations and one mission station within our bounds, twenty-two ministers upon our roll.

Eleven of our congregations enjoy the ministrations of a settled pastor, five are provided with stated supplies, and one receives occasional preaching. Three of our ministers are connected with the missionary work of the church, one with reform movements, and one has devoted himself to secular pursuits. We have received J. M. Johnston as a licentiate from Iowa Presbytery and granted J. M. Littlejohn a letter of standing requested by himself with a view to connecting with another presbytery.

We are glad to report that the trouble in Long Branch congregation has been amicably settled by the reconciliation of the opposing factions and their unanimous choice of a pastor, J. M. Johnston, who was ordained and installed, April 26, 1901.

Since our last report Billings Mission Station has been organized into a congregation.

Holmwood has secured a pastor who will be installed in the near future, and Wahoo has a call pending the action of the candidate.

The pastoral relation between S. M. Stevenson and Tabor congregation has been dissolved upon the resignation of the charge by the pastor.

We have one student of Theology under our care, Mr. D. C. Matthews, who has completed his first year

We recommend Mrs. Belle T. Dodds and Mrs. M. A. McMillan for a share in the benevolent funds of the church.

The full time of J. R. Wylie, and one-half the time of G. R. McBurney and R. A. Paden, and one-fifth time of W. S. Fulton is at the disposal of Synod. We are glad to report an increase of membership and an advance in contributions over the returns of the previous year as shown by our statistical report.

Respectfully submitted, GEO. A. EDGAR, *Clerk.*

LAKES PRESBYTERY.

Lakes Presbytery would report that one regular meeting has been held since last Synod. This was well attended, and of special interest owing to the carrying out of a program on young people's work We have under our care eight congregations and one mission station. Only four congregations have pastors. Belle Center and Bellefontaine have been under the care of Rev. J. M. Faris as stated supply; Fair Grove continues under the care of Rev. T. C. Sproull as stated supply. Cincinnati congregation has called Licentiate Robert Clarke. The call was sustained as a regular gospel call and transferred to Philadelphia Presbytery for presentation to him.

The Jewish mission in Cincinnati has been suspended for the present in the hope that a suitable worker may be obtained. Miss Mary Patterson who has been in charge of the work until recently has been compelled to resign owing to attendance upon her sister who is seriously ill and who will require her attention for some time to come.

Presbytery asks for the one-half time of one man.

The statistical report was forwarded to the stated Clerk of Synod. C. MCLEOD SMITH, *Clerk.*

NEW BRUNSWICK AND NOVA SCOTIA PRESBYTERY.

The Presbytery of N. B. and N. S. would respectfully report:

That since the last meeting of Synod we have held no regular meeting, there being no important business to be transacted to call us together.

We have three congregations and two pastors, one of these having a double charge.

Our work is carried on in the usual way with its own peculiar difficulties.

Thanksgiving day was observed in our congregations.

We recommend Mrs. Margaret Lawson, Barnesville, N. B , for her share in the Fund for Widows of Deceased Ministers.

We cannot ask for more laborers.

Our Traveling Fund is full. Statistical report was duly forwarded to stated clerk of Synod

Respectfully submitted,

W. T. K. Thompson, *Clerk*

NEW YORK PRESBYTERY.

New York Presbytery would respectfully report:

Since the last meeting of Synod we have held two regular meetings We have fifteen congregations and 17 ministers.

Mr. I. A. Blackwood was ordained and installed pastor of 4th New York congregation, Nov. 1st, 1900.

Mr. Sam'l Edgar, of Boston, has been taken under the care of Presbytery as a student of Theology. Our unsettled ministers are Rusk and Raitt. Their full time is at the disposal of Synod. Our only vacancy is Kortright. We ask one-quarter time of one laborer.

F. M. Foster is chairman of the Committee on Supplies. Presbytery reconsidered its action to meet but once a year and decided to meet twice as formerly. Our next meeting is in 2nd Boston the third Tuesday in October.

We recommend Mrs. Mary A. Yates to receive a share in the Fund for the Widows and Children of Deceased Ministers. Our statistical report was forwarded in due time to the stated clerk of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

W. McLeod George, *Clerk.*

REPORT OF OHIO PRESBYTERY.

The Ohio Presbytery would respectfully report:

There have been two regular and one called meeting during the year. There has been a decrease of one in the number of our congregations during the year. The Mansfield congregation was disorganized on Jan. 5th, by the death of Elder J. B. Jordan.

The present number of congregations is five and there are two mission stations.

The number of ministers has been decreased by two.

Rev J. S. Thompson accepted a call to the First Beaver Falls congregation and the pastoral relation between him and the Utica congregation was dissolved by Presbytery on Dec. 3rd, and the Utica pulpit declared vacant on the first Sabbath of January.

There is one student of Theology of the third year under the care of Presbytery, Wilmer G. Robb. He was licensed on May 14th, and his time is at the disposal of Synod for the interval between seminary sessions.

The death of Rev. R. B. Cannon, D. D., on Nov. 29th, 1900, was reported to Synod at the opening of this session.

The days of thanksgiving and fasting have been observed by the congregations under our care.

Our statistical report was duly forwarded to Synod's stated clerk.

Presbytery asks for the full time of one laborer for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

A. A. Samson, *Clerk.*

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY.

Philadelphia Presbytery report:

During the year two regular and several special meetings were held. In connection with each of the regular meetings a conference was held. The subjects discussed were, "Missionary Responsibilities as affected by recent events in the far East, and "Communion with Christ." A union meeting of the Young Peoples' Societies was also held at which a number of very admirable papers were read by members of the different societies. Our annual Missionary Conference could not suitably be arranged during the year, but is to be held during the 3rd week of June. The usual degree of peace and prosperity has prevailed within our bounds during the year. Baltimore and Conococheague are without pastoral care. Preaching was secured for each as regularly as circumstances would permit, and each enjoyed the dispensation of the Lord's Supper within the year. In neither of these places is the prospect very bright, but a faithful remnant, though small, should not be neglected.

Robert Clarke and Norman L. Euwer, students of Theology, were licensed to preach the Gospel: the former on July 10th, 1900, and the latter on April 9th, 1901. Mr. Euwer has since received a letter of standing to unite with the Pittsburgh Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church. Rev. N. R. Johnston received a certificate of transfer to the Pittsburgh Presbytery; Rev. W. M. Hunter was granted a letter of standing to unite with the Clarion Presbytery of the Associate Presbyterian Church, and Rev. Fergus Slater entered into rest, May 21st, 1901. We therefore report five ministers and four licentiates.

Of the licientiates, Moses Greenberg is engaged in Jewish mission work in Philadelphia. For increased and more permanent success of this mission, the committee in charge deemed it wise to make a change of location. The change has been made and we are persuaded it is a good one, and we hope soon to see the building out of debt and the work more flourishing than ever. For the success of the mission, so far, great credit is due to Mr. Greenberg and wife, together with the deep and practical sympathy of the whole church. The time of Rev. E. F. Sherman, and of licentiates G. W. Benn, A. W. Stevenson, and R. Clarke is at the disposal of Synod.

We ask for the time of one laborer.

Our Traveling Fund we report full. Our statistical report was duly forwarded to the stated clerk of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

R. C. MONTGOMERY, *Clerk.*

PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY.

Pittsburgh Presbytery would respectfully report:

Since the last meeting of Synod two regular meetings of Pittsburgh Presbytery have been held. The following changes have been made:

F. M. Wilson was installed pastor of Youngstown, June 8, 1900,

John S. Duncan was released from pastoral charge of Parnassus, Oct 24th, 1900, and united with the Presbyterian Church.

N. R. Johnston was received by certificate from Philadelphia Presbytery.

J. S. Thompson having accepted the call from 1st Beaver Falls was received from the Ohio Presbytery and installed pastor of 1st Beaver Falls congregation, Jan. 4th, 1901.

Edward L. McKnight, student of Theology, was received by certificate from Kansas Presbytery.

A. Melville Thompson was received by certificate from the Northern Presbytery of the R. P. Church of Ireland.

Hugh McCarroll, Wilber J. McBurney, and Edward L. McKnight, students of Theology, were on May 14th, 1901, licensed to preach the gospel.

In the Presbytery there are twenty-seven congregations, the same as last year. There are forty-one ministers. The vacant congregations are Bear Run and Mahoning, Rehoboth, Brookland and Manchester, Clarksburg, Salem, Middletown and Parnassus.

Eighteen of our ministers are pastors, two having double charges and two acting as stated supply part of their time. One pastor gives part of his time to Sabbath reform work. Twenty-three are not pastors, two being professors in the seminary, three in the college, one being employed in National reform work, another by Synod in work of Testimony Bearing; four are foreign missionaries, seven are aged, and one infirm.

Our licentiates are J. M. Coleman, Wm. McKinney, D. O. Jack, R. J. G. McKnight, J. T. Mitchell, Hugh McCarroll, Edward L. McKnight, Wilber J. McBurney.

Our students of Theology are Hugh McCarroll, Edward L. McKnight, and Wilber J. McBurney, all of the third year.

The full time of the following is at the disposal of Synod: R. C. Allen, D. O. Jack, R. J. G. McKnight, J. T. Mitchell, E. M. Coleman, A. M. Thompson; and of J. L. McCartney for the ensuing six months, and of Wilber J. McBurney and Hugh McCarroll for the months not occupied by the sessions of the seminary.

The following recommendations have been made:

Slippery Rock to Board of Sustentation, East End to Board of Church Erection for $700 to help pay interest due on mortgage.

For share in the Fund for Widows and Orphans of Deceased Ministers: Mrs. Nancy Reed, Mrs. Laura Speer, Mrs. Susan Love, Mrs. Lydia French.

For share in Fund for Aged Ministers: J. C. K. Faris and J. R. Baird.

Our statistical report was duly forwarded to Synod's stated clerk.

Our quota to Synod's Traveling Fund is full.

Presbytery asks for the full time of two laborers.

Respectfully reported,

F. M. Wilson, *Clerk.*

ROCHESTER PRESBYTERY.

Rochester Presbytery would report as follows:

Since last Synod we have held two regular meetings. We have at present five congregations, Sterling congregation having become disorganized during the past year by the death of one of its two elders.

Almonte Congregation has had during the past year P. P. Boyd as stated supply, and recently has made a call upon him to become their pastor. The call has been accepted and a commission appointed to conduct the installation.

Besides the settled pastors and the brother above mentioned soon to be installed, Wm. McFarland and J. M. Faris are also members of our Presbytery, making the whole number of ministers six.

The time of Wm. McFarland and J. M. Faris is at the disposal of Synod.

We ask one fourth time of one supply.

Wm. McFarland has been chosen successor to R. J. Cullings on the Board of Corporators of Geneva College.

Our quota to Synod's Traveling Fund we report in full.

Our statistical report has been duly forwarded to the stated clerk of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. Gilmore, *Clerk.*

VERMONT PRESBYTERY.

The Presbytery of Vermont would respectfully report:

That during the year we have held one meeting.

We have three congregations, one of these, Ryegate, is a vacancy. D. C. Faris has been appointed stated supply for the coming year.

The Barnet congregation was recommended to the Board of Sustentation.

D. C. Faris was chosen to represent the presbytery in the Mission Conference and secure such an amount for Ryegate as would appear right to the Conference. He was also appointed financial agent.

Our statistics were duly forwarded.

D. C. Faris, *Clerk.*

The Committee on Traveling fund reported. Amended by striking out, and adopted, and is as follows:

Traveling Fund.

Your committee on Travelling Fund would respectfully report the total quota received $2806.80. The total traveling expenses of delegates is $3331.62; $12.00 was the expense reported by the committee on rates; $10.50 was allowed to Pittsburgh Presbytery in correction of an oversight last year, making a total expense of $3354.12. The total deficit therefore is $547.32. The number of delegates present is 170. The assessment per member necessary to make up the deficit is $3.22, this of course falling equally upon every member of Synod. The following is a tabulated statement:

PRESBYTERY.	Quota.	Expenses.	Surplus.	Deficit.	Number of Delegates.	Assessment.	Due to Presbytery.	Due from Presbytery.
Colorado	$ 69.90	$ 373.07	$	$303.17	8	$ 25.76	$ 277.41	$ .....
Illinois	252.60	345.58	.....	92.98	14	45.08	47.90	.....
Iowa	247.20	444.65	.....	197.45	14	45.08	152.37	.....
Kansas	417.30	1071.50	.....	654.20	26	83.72	570.48	.....
Lakes	178.50	157.50	21.00	.....	12	38.64	.....	59.64
N. B. and N. S.	43.50	51.85	.....	8.35	1	3.22	5.13	.....
New York	530.70	511.17	19.53	.....	23	74.06	.....	93.59
Ohio	93.00	50.70	42.30	.....	7	22.54	.....	64.84
Philadelphia	185.40	63.00	122.40	.....	5	16.10	.....	138.50
Rochester	102.30	139.20	.....	36.90	9	28.98	7.92	.....
Pittsburgh	646.20	62.60	583.60	.....	49	157.78	.....	741.38
Vermont	40.20	60.80	.....	20.60	2	6.44	14.16	.....
Totals	$2806.80	$3331.62	$788.83	$1313.65	170	$547.40	$1075.37	$1097.95

In view of the failure to secure the reduced fare for the members of Synod this year, we would recommend that the committee on rates be instructed to lay carefully their plans to insure the required number of certificates, hereafter instructing particularly members of Synod who will be required to get certificates, whether ministers or elders, and that any one failing to comply with the instructions of this committee shall forfeit a share in the Traveling Fund in case of failure to get the required number of certificates.

J. G. Reed,
S. McNaugher,
Louis Meyer,
Thomas McFall,
M. M. Pearce,
R. Hargrave,
J. S. Thompson,
J. S. McGaw,
T. H. Acheson,
A. A. Samson.

The Committee on Secret Societies reported. Adopted and is as follows:

Secret Societies.

By the action of last Synod the committee on Secret Societies was instructed to report specially on

LABOR AND TRADES UNIONS.

These organizations are to be distinguished from those fraternal societies such as Free Masons, Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Foresters, Woodmen, etc., which have for their cardinal principles oath-bound secresy, and in most cases an altar and a code of morals both of which are Christless.

Concerning these we cannot employ more appropriate language than that of our Covenant. "They are ensnaring in their nature, pernicious in their tendency and perilous to the liberties of both Church and State."

Labor and Trades Unions however, are not in the public mind classed with these fraternal orders Their purposes are almost entirely different. Many of the labor organizations have an insurance feature which is common to most fraternal societies; but this cannot be regarded as a bond of union since insurance is a principle considered legitimate, and can be obtained independent of any of the above named organizations.

Labor and Trades Unions because of certain things which are not for the time made public have been, by some, classed as secret orders; this, however, members of these organizations deny, asserting that their so-called secrets are only private business affairs.

There is a legitimate and necessary sphere for organized labor. Capitalists are not all so sanctified as to be depended upon to give to every employee his just rights.

Whether or not labor unions are legitimate must be determined from their principles and practices. The American Federation of Labor which includes a majority of these unions, sets forth the following as the traditional principles of the American laborer which every member promises to keep inviolate; we quote from "The Manual of Common Procedure for the use of Social and Federal Labor Unions" a portion of the initiatory obligation.

"You also promise * * * never to discriminate against a fellow worker on account of creed, color, or nationality. To defend freedom of thought, whether by tongue or pen, with all the power at your command?

"You further agree to educate yourself and fellow workers in the history of the labor movement, and to defend, to the best of your ability, the trades unions principle which guards its autonomy and which regards Capital as the product of the past labor of all toilers of the human race, and that wages can never be regarded as the full equivalent for labor performed.

"You further promise that you will endeavor to subordinate every selfish impulse to the task of elevating the material, intellectual, and moral conditions of the entire laboring class?"

It must be admitted that since labor and trades unions have been formed,the condition of the laborer has been improved. The sweating system and child labor have been held up as social crimes and the evil in some measure removed. Shorter hours and better wages have been secured, and thus a better opportunity given for intellectual, social and spiritual improvement. That the laborer does not always avail himself of these opportunities for his own and his family's benefit cannot be charged against the organization which secures for him these privileges.

These unions also hold before their members the necessity for becoming more skilled in their various employments and seek to elevate the material, intellectual and moral conditions of the entire laboring class.

Judged by this standard there is little to which we can take exception.

On looking further we may discover a tendency to pure socialism. The candidate with his right hand upon his left breast is required to pledge himself to defend to the best of his ability the trades union principle which regards capital as the product of the past labor of all toilers. From this it might be argued that all capital belongs to the laborer. It is asserted that of every dollar of increase in the wealth of the country, the laborer receives only nineteen cents. If this be true the toiler has just cause of complaint.

The insurance feature is as delusive as it is attractive. Twenty-two hundred and fifty-five (2,255) co operative assessment and fraternal societies have failed and ceased to do business during the last eighteen years, leaving over nine million, five hundred and forty-six thousand three hundred and fifty-three (9,546,353) certificate holders who have nothing to show for their money thus invested.

The method of initiation is in some societies copied from the more elaborate ceremonies of fraternal orders, but it is evidently not considered by these labor unions as constituting them secret societies. This feature might perhaps be removed by a protest on the part of laboring men who are opposed to secret oath-bound societies.

That portion of the obligation which binds one never to consent to subordinate the interests of the American Federation of Labor to those of any labor organization of which he may now or hereafter be a member, is not consistent with loyalty to Christ nor conducive to the freedom which Christ promises

There is also an element of danger in the class of men which controls these organizations. These are called a brotherhood, but are composed of men who in many cases do not reverence God nor his Sabbath. Association with such is dangerous whether as members of a business firm or of a labor organization. We find Book-binders and Brewery workers, Bakers and Bar-tenders all on

the same equality. If a strike occur among the most immoral of these. the others are expected though not required to strike in sympathy. A sympathetic strike is in itself to be deplored.

Another principle of labor unions is that non-union men shall not be employed ; and if employed shall be discharged. On this the Outlook for May 18th says, "The attempt to force laborers to join a union to get employment is a far more serious violation of the rights of labor than of the rights of capital, and, if generally successful, will in the end demoralize, if it does not destroy the unions themselves." The denial of the right to belong or refuse to belong to a labor union is in the same article termed a species of despotism.

In defense of this attempt at compulsion the union man says—the non-union man takes advantage of the increase in wages gained by the unions, yet stands by as a drone and refuses to do anything to secure that increase when it would be for his highest interest, and for the best interest of all laborers for him to join in the contest for better conditions.

That these organizations often act arbitrarily must be conceded, an employer being often asked to employ an inexperienced union man rather than a competent non-union laborer. One organization at least, demands that a day's wages shall be paid for an hour's work if the employer have no more work to do, and this same union also forbade any of its members to ride to their work on a bicycle, as it shortened the period of labor.

We recommend the following :—

1st. That we seek to educate ourselves and others as to the mutual relations of capital and labor in order that we may aid in securing the rights of each.

2nd. That we commend to both capitalists and laborers the example and teachings of Jesus Christ, who though rich, for the sake of others became poor, and who assures us that each will best secure his own rights by seeking to advance the interests of others.

3rd. Synod sympathizes with the laborer in his struggle for the betterment of his condition and favors fair wages and shorter hours of labor, with the Saturday half holiday and exemption from Sabbath toil. Synod at the same time would ask the members of the labor unions to note, that the principle of secret organizations is wrong. Secrecy of any degree is not necessary to secure that which is good in the objects of their organization but is liable to great abuse. That many of their rulings are arbitrary, and a violation of the rights of labor, and that their Sabbath meetings are destructive of spiritual life. We would also remind our people that the law of Christ forbids identification with any organization whether of capitalists or laborers, which is essentially characterized by immoral and unchristian features.

4th. That a committee be appointed to report to next Synod on Labor and Trades Unions, which shall co operate with other denominations which are making a study of this question and which

shall also correspond with the national leaders of labor and trades unions with a view to gaining a more thorough knowledge of these organizations, and to eliminate from them any objectionable features.

J. M. Wylie,
J. S. Martin,
S. R. Faris,
W. S. Turner,
Committee.

The following wers appointed a Committee to confer with similar committees from other churches in regard to federation of labor: R. C. Wylie, J. S. Martin, J. Milligan Wylie, James Torrens, and David Boyd.

The Treasurer of the Literary Fund was instructed to publish if necessary, an edition of the Testimony and the Book of Discipline containing the new Fourth Term of Communion.

Committees on Records of Presbyteries reported. Records of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia and New York not present. In the records of Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Ohio, Philadelphia, Rochester and Vermont, nothing contrary to the law and order of the church. Errors were found in the records of Lakes, as follows:

A commission of Presbytery dissolved the pastoral relation between a pastor and a congregation when such dissolution had not been asked for by either of the parties but only "by a large minority of the congregation," contrary to our Rules of Procedure, see Book of Discipline, Section XI, paragraph 4. Also the minutes fail to state that the session of Presbytery, May 30, 1900, was opened with prayer. The only error noted in Pittsburgh's was that a minute in correction of the minutes of one session seems to question the right of temporary suspension from membership for avoidance of scandal, which right we believe to exist.

The report of the Committee on National Reform was taken up. Item 4 was amended by substitution; Item 5, adopted; Item 6, stricken out. Adopted as a whole and is as follows:

National Reform.

It is assumed that a National Reform Report to this court is for the Covenanter church — it is this movement as it concerns our church. And we wish to say here, that the enthronement of the Lord Jesus Christ as Lawgiver, and King and Judge in this land, is vital to every interest of the church. So long as the church fails to warn a guilty people of the sin and danger of ignoring His royal claims, the divine order for receiving the Holy Ghost is set aside to her lasting hurt "The Holy Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified."

The National Reform Association originated in a Convention called to meet in Xenia, O, Feb. 3, 1863. It was formally organized in a Convention held in Allegheny, Pa., Jan. 27, 1864. Its avowed pur-

pose in entering the field was to persuade this nation to incorporate in her constitution some such an amendment as will suitably acknowledge Almighty God as the Source of all authority; the Lord Jesus Christ as the Ruler of nations, and the Bible as the fountain of all law. It aimed to antagonize the secularism of the government of which the constitution of the nation is the shield. It would fight with neither small or great, save with this King of Assyria. Just as our government determined that the rebellion against its sovereignity in the Philippines must be stamped out before a government could be established there according to our republican system, so the political atheism which this nation has incorporated in her supreme law, must be cast down before our government can be reconstructed according to the revealed will of the King of Kings. Secularism is our nation's deadly foe. It is the Achan in the political camp that insures defeat for the forces of moral reformation. It is the bitter water that causeth the curse — making the belly to swell, and the thigh to rot Dr. J. R. W. Sloane spoke of the infidelity of the constitution as "the mighty millstone that is dragging our nation down." As Unitarianism is the dry-rot on New England Christianity, and Roman Catholicism is the open sore on the Republican and Democratic Parties, so secularism is the Bubonic plague that has smitten the political body in this land and threatens its life. Dr. John Mason said: "Should the citizens of America be as irreligious as her constitution, we have reason to fear lest the Governor of the universe, who will not be treated with indignity by a people any more than by individuals, overturn from the foundation the fabric we have been rearing, and crush us to atoms in the wreck."

The Covenanter church, which had been training its guns upon the constitution for three-quarters of a century as the fortress of slavery, hailed this National Reform movement as its strategic opportunity to turn its artillery upon this strong-hold of secularism. In 1871, when the American Covenant was sworn and signed, the zeal of our church reached a white heat in this cause. Under this impulse the services of Rev. D. McAllister were tendered by Synod to the National Reform Association, and during the five succeeding years colossal conventions were held in New York, Boston, Pittsburgh, Chicago, Philadelphia, Cincinnati, and the people were moved. And it seemed as if victory were at hand. But, just as great multitudes heard Christ gladly at the first, but turned back when they heard what His cross-bearing doctrines called for, so the enthusiasm of many National Reformers declined, and in the Eighties the Covenanters felt called to renewed effort

To meet this exigency and relieve the situation, the department feature of the work was undertaken. Temperance, Divorce, Sabbath, Public school secretaries were appointed and the work was broadened. This served a purpose. It made our association a nucleus for the societies representing these reforms; whose members were interested in us because we were interested in their work, although in many cases they had little interest in or sympathy with the special object we had in view. It gave us an opportunity to show that we must have the Christian amendment before any reform could become an accomplished fact. It furnished an illustration of the value of our movement as a

constructive measure, when once the basis had been secured in our national constitution. But it is manifest that we cannot have permanent Christian legislation against divorce, Sabbath desecration, intemperance or grinding trusts, while the fundamental law of the land is secular. It is folly to attempt to purify the stream while the fountain is polluted. Our National temple must be lifted from the shifting sands of political expediency, and planted upon the Rock of Ages, before it is time to adjust the furniture within. In the nature of things the secularism of our National Constitution must be removed, as the first and indispensable, and all important condition of national reformation.

A river spreads out over the plain a beautiful sheet of water, but sluggish and shallow. Miles below it is drawn together, and rushes through the narrow gorge with terrific force. Here is its power discovered. Here the water-wheels are placed and the mills erected to use the power. So during the days of His flesh our Lord revealed the Divine character in His holy life, in His miracles, and in His heavenly discourses. But in His death upon the cross, when the sun was veiled, the rocks rent, the veil of the temple torn in twain, the graves of the saints opened, and He cried with a loud voice as if giving an authoritative command to death to receive his life. All the revelations of His Deity were gathered up and focalized. "When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then shall ye know that I am He." And just so the strength of this National Reform movement is to gather up all its energies and concentrate them upon this one object, the constitutional recognition of Christ the King.

We know that the necessary sequence of this is the separation of Christian citizens from our immorally constituted government It would neither be feasible nor wise to insist upon the National Reform association taking our position of political dissent. That would work injuriously. But as the Covenanter church has always maintained that her position of political dissent made our testimony against the constitution logical and efficient, and as this court has affirmed in the National Reform Report by Prof. R J. George, D.D., in 1894, "that in tendering the services of any of our ministers to the National Reform Association, Synod does not understand that there is any agreement expressed or understood that they will not utter a testimony against the sin of Christians incorporating with a Christless government on any occasion where in their judgment the interests of truth require such testimony to be given," it seems to be our imperative duty as Covenanters to use more frequently this argument that makes the national mind think, the national conscience quake, the national heart tremble, and the national will bow; when in the judgment of the workers, occasion seems to make it wise to do.so.

1. This is a conviction deeply rooted in the life of the Covenanter church, that this is the two-edged sword of the Spirit which proceedeth out of the mouth of the Word.

In 1869, Rev. J. R. W. Sloane, D D., read the report on National Reform which this Synod unanimously adopted, in which this language is used: "Such a constitution cannot be accepted and approved by any people without sin. We hold it to be the duty of every citizen of this nation to maintain an active dissent, by refusing to incorporate

with a government thus constituted. This we hold to be not only the course of rectitude, but the attitude of power. In no other way we are persuaded, can the slumbering conscience of the nation be aroused and a public sentiment developed which shall, with God's blessing, accomplish in this land a thorough civil reformation."

In 1881 the National Reform Report, read by Rev. H. H. George, D.D., contained these ringing words: "In carrying forward this work, we deem it proper that there be a more frequent and fearless and forcible presentation of our distinctive position of dissent from the immoral constitution of the United States government as a weighty and effective argument. When the champions of liberty became convinced that slavery was fastened upon the constitution, they separated from the government, and denounced the constitution as a covenant with death and an agreement with hell. And their separation gave a mighty impulse to the anti-slavery agitation. Could prominent Christian men, who see the evils of the constitution, be persuaded that consistency demands a refusal to have any sworn allegiance with it, their example, as one by one they take their stand, would send a thrill of inspiration all along the line of reformation effort." In our covenant of 1871, we are pledged in the same sentence to press National Reform and "to refuse to incorporate by any act with the political body until this blessed reformation has been secured." This is our faith. It ought to be our practice. It is certainly our creed.

2. Our message to this nation should be: The criminality of debauching the consciences of her Christian citizens by tempting them to swear allegiance to a Christless constitution as a condition of exercising political privileges in the voting society. Our constitutional theory is that government is only a wise human institution, having only material ends in view. It has wrought like a leaven in our national life. The people have concluded that if the government is only a business corporation, the family which the government creates is only a civil contract, and can be dissolved at the will of the parties. And hence the destruction of the family by divorce. If the government can carry on the mail service on the Sabbath, there is no obligation resting upon the people to sanctify the day and keep it holy. If the government can legalize the saloon system, there can be no harm in drinking. The virus of secularism is doing its deadly work. The old adage is: Let a man tell you his story every day for a year, and he is your master. Our constitution has told this people its story for 112 years, and we are almost a secular nation. The contention is between an angry God and a sinful people. God has a controversy with this nation. We are to warn a guilty nation. God's sword is drawn — His glittering spear is levelled. "Cry aloud! Spare not!"

3. Our message to Christian citizens should be: The sin and danger of swearing allegiance to a Christless constitution.

Christian citizenship is doing as Christ would do if He were here. We are sure He would not be a judge and give out licenses to saloon-keepers or grant divorces according to our unscriptural statutes. We are sure He would not be a postmaster and swear to open the office for work on Sabbath. He would not be President, and appoint 100,000

postmasters to do this. He would not swear to support a constitution that ignored His royal claims. The witnesses must follow Him without the camp bearing His reproach.

4. The testimony of the witnesses depends for its efficiency upon the consistent practice of those who testify. The testimony of a saloon-keeper against drunkenness is void. The testimony of a church that fellowships saloon-keepers is of no value. The church's testimony against slavery was worthless so long as she allowed slave-holders at the communion table. And the testimony of the church against a Christless constitution depends for its efficiency upon her members separating from the government that accepts such a compact.

The time has come for a larger use of this argument. It is the sword of Goliath. There is none like that. It is time to make the witnesses for Christ understand that swearing allegiance to a Christless constitution vitiates their testimony.

The past year has been one of special activity. Dr. and Mrs. George have been campaigning in the Southern States. Prof J. R. Dill has conducted his institutes with unabated zeal. A convention was held in Boston, and the report widely published. The score of secretaries employed by the Associations have done valuable work in these localities.

Dr. T. P. Stevenson's work on behalf of divorce reform is deserving of special mention. It is believed that every Covenanter pastor could hold a convention in his own locality with satisfaction and profit.

We recommend :

1. That we re-affirm our allegiance to the cause of Christ, the King.
2. We pledge our lives, our possessions, and consecrated effort to this work.
3. We recommend unabated co-operation with the N. R. A.
4. We counsel our ministers and other workers of our church in their co-operation with the National Reform Association to make all their discussions bear wisely and effectively upon the great aim of that organization —the Christian Amendment of the United States Constitution.
5. We recommend that pastors agitate in their neighborhoods.
6. That $5,000 be appropriated and all be raised.

J. M. Foster,
H. H George,
S. J. Crowe,
A. L. McConahy,
John R. Steele.

The Committee on Testimony Bearing reported. Adopted and is as follows :

The Committee on Testimony Bearing would respectfully report that the work in their charge has been carried on during the past year in the same manner and under much the same conditions as heretofore. Dr. McFarland reports that there has not been any greater difficulty in obtaining a hearing than in past years. In

only one instance was he refused the liberty to present the duty of a Christian to separate himself from an unchristian constitution which in a number of places this discussion has been asked for by ministers of other churches. These have afterward testified that while people might not be ready to accept this position, there was nothing offensive in the way the argument was presented and that they would be benefited by having their conscience aroused. The conditions and influences that for years have been debasing the public sense of right are not changed for the better, but are in unchecked operation. With an unparalleled prosperity in sight and deserved judicial visitation delayed, the interest of many Christians in reform work is growing less while indifference and apathy have become prevalent. If the Psalmist was right when he said to God, "It is time for Thee to work, for men make void Thy law," we surely may look for the Lord's effective work in vindication of His neglected authority and violated law. His working in its majesty and power alone can bring the testimony in behalf of His truth to its full fruitage. As the time seems near for this Divine revelation we should be the more diligent and earnest, for our labor shall not be in vain in the Lord.

Your Committee is fully persuaded that it would be of great advantage to themselves, it would be greatly to the furtherance of the testimony of the church and to the glory of our exalted Lord, if the ministry of the church, especially those who are marking out their life study and work, would prepare themselves to go out and lecture in this field When one intends to conclude an address with such an appeal to faith and the spirit of self-sacrifice as would lead men to separate themselves from active participation in the ungodly political life of this country, he must base every step of his argument upon clear, strong logical reasoning and found this again upon a ready acquaintance with the Scriptures bearing on the subject and an accurate knowledge of the related facts of our political life. No loose statements or doubtful knowledge will answer the purpose. It takes careful and conscientious study to enable one to prove conclusively to the Christian citizen that his Saviour is the King of nations, that his political allegiance is first of all due to this King, that the nation ought to acknowledge Him, and is guilty before God, if it do not. It takes a good knowledge of the nature of the National Constitution to prove that it is the proper place to acknowledge Christ and of the contents of the Constitution to show by comparison with the Scriptures that it does not own Christ either in His authority or law.

Then one must be able to show that the nation should put in her Constitution that would open the way for a Christian to swear to it and at the same time be loyal to Christ; finally be able to prove beyond doubt pending such amendment, and while working for its adoption, the only right place for a Christian to stand is inside his kingdom waiting for the nation to accept Christ and that this is the best and most effective position to take in laboring for the nation's reformation. To forge all these links into one chain of reasoning, and the argument is not complete lacking any one of them, re-

quires accurate and extensive information and a logical setting forth of the truth, and to shorten the links so that the chain will not be longer than one lecture, requires such a mastery of the facts and of their orderly arrangement as will enable one to state them with clearness and simplicity.

Besides this there is needed a spirit that will tell the truth in love, with gentleness and meekness, with a due respect for the beliefs and good intentions of others. All this can come only by the cultivation of one's own mind and heart and by practice in the presentation of unpopular truth. Of all ministers those of our own Church should excel in this art because we have so much that is unpopular to tell the world.

As usual this past year we have sent out thousands of tracts, answered all calls and supplied the literature free of charge, postage paid We have printed one new tract on the subject of Close Communion by W. J. Coleman, this being more than paid for by a contribution made to the Committee for this special purpose.

The work done during the past year by Dr. McFarland was mostly in Western Pennsylvania and Eastern and Central Ohio and in the vicinity of Chicago. The collections in connection with his work have nearly paid all the expenses of travel and entertainment. The balance in the treasury, May 1st, was $399.94.

We submit the following recommendations:

1. That the same amount as heretofore be appropriated to carry on this work.

2. That Dr. A. J. McFarland be chosen to represent the Synod in this work for the coming year.

3. That as a wide scope of principles and facts is comprehended in the argument for loyalty to Christ in political life, the younger ministers of the Church be urged to prosecute the studies that will fit them to present with power and effect this duty to the Christian citizenship of this country.

4. That in a time like the present when there is danger of declining from former attainments, all our ministers should seek opportunity to present our testimony for all our distinctive principles as our safety as well as the blessing of God follow an earnest, faithful effort to advance His kingdom in the world.

W. J. Coleman,
R. J. Gault,
B. M. Sharp,
Oliver Wylie,
John T. Morton.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported. Adopted and is as follows:

Foreign Correspondence.

Your Committee on Foreign Correspondence report that two communications have been placed in our hands. A letter from

our brethren of the Church in Ireland, and one from the chairman of the Pozsony Reformed Presbytery in behalf of the Transdanubian Reformed Churches of Hungary, situated in Pozsony, Hungary.

We submit the following replies for the approval and adoption of Synod.

G. A Edgar,
T. H. Acheson,
M. M. Pearce,
R J. C. Dodds,
T. A. Hamilton.

LETTER FROM THE SYNOD OF IRELAND.

R P. MANSE, Coleraine, 6th May, 1900.

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, in the United States of America.

Dear Brethren: —Our meeting together in Synod reminds us once again of you who are engaged, far across the ocean, in upholding the Banner of the Covenant—the Banner which we are endeavouring to keep unfurled in this our island home We thank God that He has preserved us in our separation from pernicious, false and lawless systems, and organizations, and we pray that you and we may long be preserved true to our great traditions, and that we both may be accounted worthy to be reckoned the sons of the heroes of the Covenant, whose thought and action gave these and other lands the great and world renowned principles of civil and religious liberty.

It rejoiced us to hear of the prosperity of your work at home and abroad, and we earnestly desire that your meeting together now, in the name of our common Lord, may tend to the increase of your faith in Him, and your loyalty towards Him.

Our work here has been carried on during the past year in quiet and unobtrusive earnestness, and evidences are not wanting that our labors have not been in vain. Our mission to Roman Catholics has been conducted with zeal and efficiency; much interest is shown in the support of our weaker congregations at home; and our missionaries in the foreign and colonial fields have labored at their difficult posts of duty with earnestness and self-denial. Our church has entered energetically on the work of raising a 20th Century Fund, and advanced steps are taken to renew our covenants in July, 1901. May we again repeat to you our wish to see your church entering on a similar work, or uniting with us in our solemn act of dedication.

The tendency of religious thought around us is in the direction of unsettlement, and consequently many men are led to bless God that they have been nurtured and sheltered in a Church which has maintained intact the great doctrines and fundamental principles of Protestantism, and which esteems, beyond everything earthly, the great truths of the evangel regarding a crucified and a glorified Redeemer, and His influence on men in their individual,

and in their social relationships. The age in which we live is characterized by its thoughtlessness and superficiality. Yet in many churches with which we have no formal connection, some are being led to enquire into the great question and all important causes which render our organic union with other churches impossible, and many other denominations sympathize with us in our testimony against the corruption of the worship of God, and the nefarious system by which the liquor traffic is legalized. But notwithstanding the streaks of light which are here and there visible, the veil of darkness is still thick. Yet we are confident in the belief that when men's hearts turn unto the Lord, the veil will be taken away.

We learn that you purpose holding a Covenanting Convention in the summer of next year, and we earnestly hope that the meeting will prove an incentive to the study of our distinctive principles and a means of quickening and enlarging your spiritual life and activity.

And as now we say to you farewell, our hearts desire and prayer to God for you is,that you may keep yourselves in the love of God, that you may be loyal to Christ your exalted King, that you may study the things that are true, and honest, and just and pure, that the peace of God that passeth all understanding may keep your hearts and minds through Jesus Christ, and that in all your deliberations, you may have an immediate and direct consciousness that you are Christ's covenanted servants, sworn to maintain a glorious cause. In Him we feel one with you, and watch all your struggles with interest. The history of our fathers is the history of your fathers. Their struggles are your struggles as well as ours, and we all know that history repeats itself. Hard times may come for all of us, but we cannot forget the years of the right hand of the Most High, and we are still assured of victory by the Blood of the Lamb and the word of our testimony. Believe us, dear brethren, to be yours in Covenant Bonds.

SAMUEL KENNEDY, *Moderator*
J. D. HOUSTON, *Clerk.*

LETTER TO THE SYNOD OF IRELAND.

DEAR BRETHREN:—For the cordial and fraternal greetings, and kind wishes for our welfare expressed in your recent communication to us, we desire to convey to you our heartiest appreciation. Realizing that our ecclesiastical descent is from a common parentage, that we stand upon a common doctrinal ground, and strive for the realization of a common purpose, we feel that the yearly correspondence that passes between us strengthens the bonds of sympathy that naturally exist.

We are about to close a meeting of Synod characterized by unanimity of aim, and such earnestness and freedom in the discussion of methods whereby that aim may be reached, as has led to harmonious conclusions.

The condition of our church financially and spiritually is measurably prosperous, for which we thank God and take courage. A review of the work of the past year gives evidence of earnest and faithful contention on the part of both pastors and congregations for the faith once delivered to the saints. In the midst of prevailing unrest and the clamorous pretensions of new and strange doctrine which has affected more or less the entire church of Christ, there are still those who stand in the ways and ask for the old paths, where is the good way that they may walk therein.

The principles which distinguish us among the sisterhood of churches, in spite of their unpopularity with the masses, have been maintained by our people; and the perils of a Christless government and the sinfulness of incorporating therein have been proclaimed before the world by our laborers in the cause of National Reform and Testimony Bearing. Iniquity still abounds. Wickedness prevails in high places. The sanctity of the home and of the Sabbath is largely disregarded. We record with regret the opening of the gates of the Pan American Exposition upon the Lord's Day, in defiance of the outspoken Christian sentiment of the land. Nevertheless, when we contrast present moral conditions with those of the past, we see unmistakeable evidences of the awakening of the public conscience upon the important matters.

We are seeking, in connection with seven other denominations, to produce a metrical version of the Psalms which shall be more smooth and agreeable with the original text than any other heretofore published, by the use of which we hope to unify the service of praise in psalm singing churches, further the purity of worship in other denominations and commend the divinely appointed manual of the church's praise to all Christians. Encouraging progress has been made in this work by the Joint Committee to which it has been assigned.

Notwithstanding the adverse providences that have compelled the temporary abandonment of the mission in China, the work of our laborers in the foreign field is not without some evidences of the favor and blessing of the Head of the church. The chapel in Cyprus has been maliciously burned, the school work in Syria has been impeded through Russian influence and governmental opposition. But the opposition of the Adversary is but an evidence of the aggression of the church upon his kingdom of darkness. There is an encouraging side even to our discouragements. The missionaries are laboring faithfully. The Word of God is not bound. The truth can not be burned, and the Lord is adding to the church of such as are being saved. Our missionaries hope to return with reinforcements to China in the fall.

We wish you God speed in all your work of faith and labor of love. "The Lord that made heaven and earth bless thee out of Zion." Though we be small among the thousands of Israel, let us hold to the conviction that the Lord has given us a work to do. Our work is His work. The principles of divine truth for which we contend are dearer to the Master than they can be to us.

It is nothing with Him to help, whether with many or with them that have no power. If we rest in Him and in His name go against the great multitudes of opposing forces they shall not prevail against us. He that sits in heaven exalted above all principality and power must reign till His enemies be made the footstool of His feet.

Wishing you "grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, we remain, in behalf of Synod,

Yours in Covenant bonds,

——— *Moderator.*

——— *Clerk.*

LETTER FROM THE POZSONY REFORMED PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., to be held on the 30th of May, 1901, Pittsburgh, Pa.

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT, BELOVED FATHERS AND BRETHREN,— as far as the Holy Scriptures say, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith, and so far as the Reformed Presbyterian Church U. S. A. has in the past assisted the brethren of different nationalities, we send our petitionary letter to you with trusting heart.

Some 200 years ago, the tide of counterreformation was destroying throughout Europe all that the Reformers had built up. In Hungary also churches and schools had been confiscated, pastors and teachers put in prison or driven away from their flocks, the constitution and the liberties of the country had been abolished, and a bloody tribunal set to work in Pozsony, (Pressburg near Vienna), in Hungary, Europe, where the adherents to the reformed faith were treated as political offenders and traitors against their sovereign, and lastly sold to the galleys in Naples.

It is therefore not to be wondered, that since that time there has been no reformed church in Pozsony, and for a long time could not be. But by God's help the unfavorable circumstances have been removed, and reformed people once again reside here and in the neighborhood. These reformed people in Pozsony and surrounding district (see map) formed themselves into a congregation in the year 1895, but being working people drawn chiefly from the agricultural class so numerous in this country, and also from other branches of industry in the town, they have so far been unable to procure a suitable place wherein to worship. At the present the Pozsony Reformed congregation, by her own efforts, has gathered together a sum of 10,000 florins (=4,500 dollars). But as this sum is entirely swallowed up in purchasing the necessary ground which is exceptionally expensive here, we have still "this building" to face.

Were we to wait until we gathered sufficient funds among our poor people, it would take us over twenty years. But such a long wait as that would be a great hindrance to the development of the Reformed Church in Pozsony, as at present there are no means of

our acquainting new-comers to the town of the fact that a Reformed congregation exists in it. Around us we see the wealthy and numerous Roman Catholic edifices, whose doors are always open to welcome the stranger, and whose agents (Jesuits, monks and nuns, etc.,) are at all times on the lookout for those having reformed or no church connection.

It would take too long to enumerate all the difficulties in our way. After much thought and prayerful consideration we have decided to throw ourselves on the liberality of our Christian Brethren of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., and now we would ask your Christian liberality to the young and struggling Reformed congregation of Pozsony.

We hope that this our petition will be received by the Christian Fathers and Brethren in the spirit of charity and love, and trust that God in His infinite mercy may use them as the means of extending a helping hand to those of another nation, whose ancestors suffered and died for the same cause as did the covenanting fathers of bygone days in Scotland.

We, the undersigned, send our fraternal salutations and sympathy to the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, U. S. A.

KOMAROM, HUNGARY, EUROPE, the 7th of May, 1901.

GABRIEL ANTAL,

Moderator of the General Assembly of the Transdanubian Reformed Churches in Hungary.

E. BALOGH,

Chairman of the Pozsony Reformed Presbytery.

LETTER TO THE POZSONY REFORMED PRESBYTERY.

E. Balogh, Chairman of the Pozsony Reformed Presbytery.

DEAR BROTHER:—We have read with interest your petitionary letter under date of May 7, 1901. We desire to convey to you our fraternal regards and Christian greeting.

We are glad to know that in the far distant land of Hungary there are those who have resisted the encroachments of error, superstition and ecclesiastical tyranny, and have contended for the truth in its purity, and that now, under the blessing of God, they enjoy religious freedom.

We congratulate you upon the fair measure of success that has attended your efforts to secure a church edifice, and assure you of our hearty sympathy in your endeavors and sacrifices to maintain a corporate existence and hold forth the light of the Gospel amid the darkness of Roman Catholic idolatry and superstition that prevails around you.

We shall publish your letter throughout our church, and commend your petition to the liberality of any who may be able and disposed to contribute to your necessities. And we trust and pray

that under the good providence of Him who hath said, "the silver and the gold are mine," the means may be provided to lift the burden that now lies upon the shoulders of the struggling church of Pozsony.

"Peace be within thy walls and prosperity within thy palaces."

In behalf of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian church of North America, we subscribe ourselves,

Your brethren in the Lord,

——— *Moderator.*
——— *Clerk.*

The thanks of Synod were returned to the kind friends in Pittsburgh and vicinity, and to the railroads.

The Moderator was instructed to write a letter of sympathy to S. M. Stevenson, R. C. Wylie to H. P. McClurkin, and D. B. Willson to D. H. Coulter.

Synod adjourned with prayer by the Moderator, to meet in Syracuse, N. Y., on May 28, 1902, at half-past seven o'clock in the evening.

D. C. Martin, *Moderator.*
S. G. Shaw, *Clerk.*

APPENDIX.

Report of Synod's Board of Trustees of Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America, from May 1st, 1900, to May 1st, 1901.

The Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America respectfully beg leave to submit to you their Annual Report, and to transmit herewith the Report of the Treasurer showing the condition of the varied funds and accounts entrusted to their care for the year ending May 1st, 1901.

The Board, as usual, reorganized for the year at their first meeting after the adjournment of Synod, by the election of A. C. Coulter as President; S. McNaugher, as Vice-President; D. Chesnut as Secretary, and John T. Morton, as Treasurer; all for one year or until their successors be chosen.

It may be proper for us before passing to the business of the present year first to refer to some items concerning which you gave to us special instruction at the last meeting of Synod, and to these we shall now refer.

First: That your directions relative to our recommendation as to the MATTIE S. T. WILLIAMS BEQUEST, by which the gift was to go to the current account of the Indian Mission, has been carried out.

Second: THAT THE ARTHUR T. KILPATRICK BEQUEST of Sixty dollars ($60) has been divided in the proportions directed by the decedent and credited to the current account of the Domestic and Southern Missions, thus carrying out your instructions.

Third: THAT THE MRS. ANNIE MELVINE BEQUEST has been disposed of by crediting equal amounts thereof to the Southern Mission Current and the Indian Mission Current Accounts agreeably to Synod's action in the matter.

Fourth: THAT THE MISS MARGARET G. RUSSELL BEQUEST of Two Hundred forty-eight dollars and seventy-three cents ($248.73) has been closed by the remittance of that sum to the Treasurer of the Foreign Mission Current Fund, being in conformity with the action of Synod.

Fifth: THAT THE MISS MARY J. CAMPBELL BEQUEST of One Thousand dollars ($1,000) has been disposed of by remittance of Two Hundred dollars ($200) cash to Walter T. Miller, Treasurer of Foreign Mission Current Funds, and by an equal division of the remaining Eight Hundred Dollars ($800) in the manner you indicated to the Home, Indian, Southern and Jewish Missions.

Sixth: That as to THE MRS. MARY LYON LINGO MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT of Fifteen Hundred Dollars ($1,500), that to carry out the direction of Synod in this matter the Board directed the Treasurer to credit the Seven Dollars and fifty-five cents ($7.55) accrued interest thereon, and all subsequent income from this endowment until further orders to the Indian Mission Current Account.

Seventh: THAT THE THREE VACANCIES in the Board occasioned by expiration of term of office, at the last meeting of Synod, and which was arranged for by your election of William Blair, John A. Dodds, and Robert J. Ward, to serve for three years, ending June 15th, 1903, has been filled by their being duly notified of your action and their acceptance of the positions tendered them.

We report as to the following gifts and bequests, viz.:

Eighth: MRS. SARAH McLANE BEQUEST. We report the receipt of Eleven Dollars ($11.00) from Mrs. Sarah McLane, late of Barnet, Vt., Congregation, for Southern Missions, and unless otherwise ordered the sum will be credited to the Southern Mission Current Expense Account.

Ninth: THE MRS. REBECCA JANE BURNESON BEQUEST. We report a bequest from Mrs. Rebecca Jane Burneson, late of Beaver County, Pennsylvania, of One Hundred and seventy-five dollars ($175), through Martha A. and Sarah M. Burneson, Executrices, to be divided as follows, viz :

Syrian Mission,	$25.00
Indian Mission,	25.00
Latakia Mission,	25.00
Theological Seminary,	50.00
Geneva College,	50.00
	$175.00

As to this bequest we report the receipt of Fifteen Dollars ($15), on account, and that the terms of payment are to be in five equal, annual payments from April 21st, 1901. As this bequest will come to us in small payments, your Board, unless by you otherwise directed, will appropriate the amount as received on the bequest to the current accounts of the schemes named.

Tenth: THE MRS. JANE KILPATRICK BEQUEST. We report that Mrs. Jane Kilpatrick, deceased, about twenty years ago, gave into possession of her son Robert, the sum of One Hundred Dollars ($100), interest earned thereon to be paid for pastor's salary for such length of time as Rev. W. S. Fulton would remain pastor of the Muskingum and Tomica Congregation.

As the pastoral relation has ceased to exist, the interest thereon he has since applied by dividing the amount equally between the Foreign Mission and the Bible Society. The principal sum of One Hundred Dollars ($100) has now been placed in our hands in order that the Foreign Mission and Bible Society shall in future receive the same proportion of the net income from the gift as they have heretofore been receiving.

Eleventh: A GIFT OF REAL ESTATE: We report having received a gift through the Secretary of the Board from parties who are unwilling that their names shall be mentioned at the present time, of a deed, dated June 18th, 1900, of a valuable improved property estimated to be worth Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($2,500); the conditions of the gift are that the owners or donors of this estate shall have the use without charge of the property with the improvements thereon during their natural lives, and at their death the property shall be disposed of as follows, viz.:

Two-thirds of the net proceeds thereof to Foreign Missions. One-third of the net proceeds thereof to Southern Missions.

What is meant by Foreign Missions as stated by the donors will be more specifically set forth when the property shall be disposed of, and the proceeds ready for Synod to distribute.

Twelfth: A GIFT OF CASH: We report having received from a member of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, whose identity we are not at liberty to disclose, coming through the Secretary of the Board, of One Thousand Dollars ($1,000) in cash, the conditions upon which this gift was received are in brief that *at once*, viz.:

The Southern Mission Current Account shall receive	$50.00
The Indian Mission Current Account shall receive	50.00
	$100.00

which direction of the donor has already been carried out, and that the donor shall receive four per cent. per annum during natural life, on the remaining Nine Hundred Dollars ($900) or such sum thereof as shall remain in our hands, with the privilege reserved to draw on the principal sum should it be required for support or sustenance during an advanced old age, and that at the decease of the donor, the principal sum shall go to the current expenses of the Home and Foreign Missions of the Reformed Presbyterian Church as Synod in its wisdom shall at the time of its action thereon direct.

Thirteenth: A GIFT FROM ANOTHER DONOR: We report as reaching the Treasurer through the Secretary and in like manner from a person, whose name by request is withheld, of a cash gift of Five Hundred Dollars ($500), an absolute gift, renouncing all right to draw on the principal sum, on which account your Board have agreed to pay the donor during natural life, at the rate of five per cent. per annum, and at the decease of the donor the principal sum is to be used according to such action as Synod shall then decide, limited only by applying the amount to Current Accounts of Home and Foreign Missions as Synod shall deem most needful.

Fourteenth: A GIFT FROM A LADY: We report a gift coming into the Treasury through the Secretary of the Board, from a lady member residing within the bounds of Pittsburgh Presbytery, who requests that her name shall not at present be made public, of the sum of Five Hundred Dollars ($500) in cash.

The conditions attached to this gift are, that the full amount of this gift shall be distributed after her decease, as the Synod may direct, to the Home and Foreign Missions Current Accounts. And that she relinquishes at once all right to draw upon the principal sum, in consideration of which we agree to pay to her interest thereon during her natural life, at the rate of five per cent. per annum, payable quarterly, semi-annually, or annually, as she may elect.

Fifteenth: A GIFT FOR MISSIONS: We report a gift as having been secured coming into the hands of the Board through the Secretary, of Five Hundred Dollars ($500), in cash; the gift came from a friend who has given evidence in the past according to ability, to help the cause of Christ continually in Home and Foreign Fields, and to such a degree in proportion to means that if others of equal ability were blessed with the same generous disposition and loving spirit for the spread of the Everlasting Gospel there would be no need for appeals annually in the interests of Missions, for the funds would be forthcoming

without solicitation. What we have thus far said is due to the donor, though in this instance the modesty of the person who has made the gift has prohibited the Board from here making record of the name.

This gift is at the disposal of Synod for Home and Foreign Missions after the decease of the donor, who is to reserve the right, not likely to be exercised, of drawing upon the same for sustenance in the closing years of life and to receive but four per cent. interest thereon during natural life of the donor.

Sixteenth: A CASH GIFT FOR IMMEDIATE USE: We report as coming from the same person as the foregoing Five Hundred Dollars ($500) and reaching the Treasury through the same agency, the sum of One Hundred Dollars ($100) in cash to at once be used as follows, viz.;

For Chinese Mission, Home Field, Current Account.....	$20.00
For Indian Mission, Current Account.....	40 00
For Southern Mission, Current Account.....	40.00
	$100.00

We report that this gift has been disposed of according to the directions accompanying the gift.

Seventeenth: A GIFT FROM THE WIFE OF A MINISTER. We report as having been received by the Secretary and passed over to the Treasurer early in the present year, Seven Hundred Dollars ($700) in cash. The conditions upon which this gift has been received are, that Synod shall designate to what Missions, Home and Foreign, for current expenditures, this money shall be used after the decease of the donor, and that the donor shall have the privilege to draw upon the principal sum, should the same be needed for support, and that in consequence of this privilege retained, the interest to be paid thereon during the natural life of the donor, shall be fixed at four per cent. per annum on such sum as shall be held by the Board.

Eighteenth: A GIFT FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS. We report the payment of a certain note, dated Sept. 1, 1888, payable on or before Sept. 1, 1900, for Five Hundred Dollars ($500), with interest thereon, of Three Hundred and fifty-nine Dollars and forty-two cents ($359 42) making a total of Eight Hundred and fifty-nine Dollars and forty-two cents ($859.42). We are prohibited from disclosing the name of the donor in this instance. The directions relative to the gift are contained in these words, "*left in trust for the Foreign Mission.*" We therefore ask Synod as to whether this gift shall be credited to the Foreign Mission Endowment Account or to the Foreign Mission Current Account.

Nineteenth: THE WALTER T. MILLER DONATION. This generous donation of Mr. Walter T. Miller, as will be seen more fully by reference to a former report of the Board, consisted of one thousand acres of land in the State of Alabama, which was subsequently sold, annual payments thereon of which since date of sale have been regularly reported to Synod. We take pleasure in now making our final report of this gift to say that since the date of our last report to Synod we have received the last payment due on this land amounting to Three Thousand Dollars ($3,000), and in addition thereto the sum of One Hundred and twenty-three Dollars and sixty cents interest ($123.60) on the same.

This account we have closed by crediting the Geneva College Endowment Fund with the principal sum of Three Thousand Dollars ($3,000), and the

Geneva College Current Expense Account with the One Hundred and twenty-three dollars and sixty cents ($123.60), agreeably to the conditions upon which this gift was received.

Twentieth: THE PHILADELPHIA JEWISH MISSION. We report, in order that there shall be no doubt at any future period, as to the right, claim, and title of Synod to the Real Estate and Mission Building recently purchased for the use of the Jewish Mission in the City of Philadelphia, and in order to safeguard Synod's interests therein by conforming to the long established custom tested by the experience of many years, of Synod holding the title deeds, etc , of its own property and of committing its legal custody to its own Board of Trustees, that with this in view the Rev. Moses Greenburg and his associates of the Philadelphia Presbytery, in the management of this matter have had the deed to this newly acquired Mission property, as well as a fully paid-up perpetual Fire Insurance Policy covering the building, carefully drawn and made out to the Synod in the name of Synod's Board of Trustees, and that the Deed and Insurance Policy, after their execution have been placed in the possession of the Synod to remain henceforth in the custody of your Board. It is due Mr. Greenburg and the business men with him representing this Mission to say, that their transaction in this matter has been undertaken with the guidance of legal counsel free of legal fees or expense to the Synod, and with a supreme desire to secure the Church's financial interest for all future time in the property they have purchased.

In this connection we take pleasure in stating that from recent information we understand that this valuable property is almost, if not now entirely, free from incumbrance, or if not so at this moment negotiations or arrangements are about to be made which will soon bring about that desirable result.

Twenty-first: THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN WOMAN'S ASSOCIATION. The matter of Synod, through its Board of Trustees, ceasing to hold its title and control of the Real Estate occupied by the Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association, as an Aged People's Home, in the City of Allegheny, Pa., by making a deed to the said Woman's Association, came before you by recommendation of this Board for consideration at the last meeting of Synod, and was by you referred to your Committee on Finance.

The Committee we learn had the advantage of being possessed of a copy of the Charter of the Woman's Association, which your Board up to that time had not before them for consideration, and discussion. It seems, upon careful inspection of the same, your Committee learned that the legal phraseology of this Charter, including particularly the consideration of what was omitted therefrom was such as not to link the Aged People's Home and the management sufficiently close to the Church or Synod. This view, though not fully expressed by them is considered well founded in view of the Association by its charter being granted powers and privileges more independent of Synod than any other of your Boards including the Synod's Board of Trustees, College, or other similar institution under your care. Some objectionable features thereof are in brief.

That as to Officers and Directors: The Association may elect its own Manager, Directors or Officers, and re-elect them or others throughout all time to come, without any legal power resting in Synod to nominate, ratify or approve of such election, if so desired, *nor in any case whatever* to remove from official position any officer, director or manager from power or position in the management of the Home.

That as to the Real Estate: The Association once possessed of the deed now held by Synod, could, without the assent, nay in opposition to Synod, sell, dispose or mortgage the real estate, thus exercising a greater power than the Geneva College or Seminary Boards could do, and a more unlimited power in the premises than your own Board could do in the case stated.

That as to General Responsibility to Synod: The Woman's Association is in no manner legally prohibited from making By-laws or other regulations entirely at variance with the laws and regulations of the Synod or to the principles of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America, old school, nor is there any legal authority in the charter to require said association to render any report or financial statement of its affairs under any circumstances, to the Synod.

For these reasons, or some of them, doubtless your Finance Committee at the last meeting of Synod, presented a report which we understand was unanimously adopted in substance; that this Board of Trustees was not to make deed of the Aged People's Home property to the Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association, until the "*Association have their Charter which is now self perpetuating, so amended as to protect the interests of Synod and require an Annual Financial Statement to Synod.*"

As this action on your part thus placed the responsibility upon your Board of formulating the changes in the Charter and as the Woman's Association by letter July 26th, 1900, asked of the Board to know what changes in the Charter would be necessary to meet the requirements made by Synod; the whole matter was therefore taken up at the following meeting of the Board, carefully considered and upon mature deliberation, and upon consultation and advice of the Attorney of the Synod, who has so faithfully guarded the Church's legal interest, the following form of amendment to their Charter was unanimously agreed upon and this form, subject to any minor changes if any be thought necessary, to make other parts of the Charter consistent therewith, shall be our recommendation to the Woman's Association and to the Synod, as suitable to carry out the instructions to your Board. It is covered by the following statement: —

Resolved, That the Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association's Charter be amended by striking out entirely Section 6th of their present Charter, and substituting therefor with any minor changes elsewhere in the Charter, if deemed necessary, in order to make it consistent throughout, a new Section to read as follows, viz.:

SECTION 6. The business of the Association shall be transacted by a Board of Fifteen Directors, out of the members of the Association, all of whom shall be members in good standing, of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America, to be chosen at the regular annual meeting, who shall continue in office for one year or until their successors are regularly chosen; provided, however, that the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America (Old School), shall have power at any meeting of said Synod to remove from office any and all Directors or Officers of said Association or Corporation, and at the same time to fill vacancies occasioned by such removals by the appointment or election of successors to serve out the unexpired term of such person or persons as may be removed, and provided further, that said Association, through its Board of Directors, shall annually make report of its financial condition to the said Synod at its regular annual meeting, and shall at all times be subject to the usages, discipline,

rules, regulations, instructions and control of said Synod, and that the Charter of said Association shall not hereafter be amended in any particular without first having consent of Synod.

Assuming that the Association might wish to save time by applying to Court and obtain the amendment at once so as to report the same to Synod immediately after your action on this report, we forwarded promptly to the Association, a copy of the amendment we had adopted suggesting a willingness, if desired, to aid them in the accomplishment of the change referred to. To this communication of more than seven months ago, we have had no response. Having therefore no knowledge of their intention in the premises, we have therefore submitted our action in the case that you may be able to consider the subject more fully than you otherwise would be able to do at your present meeting.

Twenty-second: THE DAVID GREGG ENDOWMENT ACCOUNT. We report with reference to this gift which it will be remembered consisted of two lots of valuable ground with buildings thereon situated, Numbers 414 and 416 Wood Street, Pittsburgh, Pa., was given to the Synod to be held in trust as an investment with the powers on the part of this Board to sell and convey the same when in the judgment of the Trustees of Synod it should be deemed best to do so; the annual net revenue from said property or investment alone to be used for such Missions and Church schemes as has been designated by the donor.

It has been noted by your Board that the city cash valuation of this property for taxable purposes as set by the city assessors in recent years, has reached such figures, and that the city and county tax rate based on such valuations has increased to such an extent that when taxes, insurance and other expenses thereon are added, together with the loss of rent by inability to constantly secure an occupant of the buildings at a reasonable figure, has so reduced the net income as not to be deemed an adequate return for the amount of investment represented by the property.

The Board, therefore, entered upon careful consideration as to the advisability of selling the property and of reinvesting the proceeds thereof in some more profitable form of investment. In considering the subject from the standpoint of income it was among other things found by going over the accounts relating to the property for the last six years, that the net income therefrom was for each year respectively as follows, viz.: —

May 1st, 1894, to May 1st, 1895,	Amount.....	$5,433.97
May 1st, 1895, to May 1st, 1896,	"	6,132.31
May 1st, 1896, to May 1st, 1897,	"	6,068.61
May 1st, 1897, to May 1st, 1898,	"	1,282.88
May 1st, 1898, to May 1st, 1899,	"	4,055.37
May 1st, 1899, to May 1st, 1900,	"	2,042.85
Making a total net sum for six years of		$25,015.99

It will be seen from these figures that this property if valued at the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars ($150,000), on the assumption that we might find a purchaser at not less than that sum, has produced a net income of but 2.779%, or in other words, but little more than two and three-quarters per cent. per annum. There seemed to be no immediate prospect of being able to

obtain a larger income in the future than in the past, and for that reason and others your Board concluded to dispose of the property, and in the course of time finally succeeded in obtaining an offer on the property which they accepted of One Hundred and Sixty Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars ($160,500), Sixty Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($60,500), to be paid in cash, and One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000) secured by bond and close mortgage on the property, bearing interest until paid. It may be remarked that this One Hundred Thousand Dollar ($100,000) mortgage alone, not considering the Sixty Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($60,500), cash received will yield a much larger net income than the whole property has averaged since it has been in possession of the Board, and therefore we feel confident that our action in this matter will meet with the approval of Synod. For the income of the year just closed from this property, and for the distribution of the net revenue you are respectfully referred to the Treasurer's Report.

Twenty-third: THE INVESTED FUNDS. The total investments, including sundry accounts and current cash balances at the date of the report shows in hands of your Board the sum of Five Hundred and Two Thousand Six Hundred and Fifty Dollars and fifteen cents ($502,650.15), this really shows a steady advance in invested funds, though by comparison with our report of last year, one not versed in double entry book-keeping or accounts, would naturally conclude that the amount of such fund had decreased to the extent of Twenty-seven Thousand, Four Hundred Sixteen Dollars and Sixty-two Cents ($27,416.62).

This seeming decrease is explained chiefly by three items, the D. Gregg Endowment Bequest being estimated in our *last* report at a nominal value of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars, ($200,000), but figured in our *present* statement at its actual value of One Hundred and Fifty-seven Thousand and Fifteen Dollars and Seventy-three Cents ($157,015.73), which together with the difference in amount of cash *now* on hand for current accounts with that of *last* year and minor items make up the apparent difference. The largest increase in Endowment Accounts during the year consists in an addition of Thirteen Thousand One Hundred Dollars ($13,100) to the Geneva College Endowment Account, the other Endowment Accounts in the main including the Foreign Missions, Domestic Missions and Theological Seminary, remain unchanged.

It may be remarked that it is difficult to secure first-class mortgages or securities at former rates, and that within the last few months we have invested in new mortgages at a lower rate of interest and that therefore it may be well to prepare at an early date to receive smaller dividends than have been earned in the past.

As reported by the Treasurer there has been earned a sufficient sum after deducting all expense, to warrant a net profit or dividend of five per cent (5%) at which rate all funds entitled to participate in the investments have been credited.

Twenty-fourth: APPROPRIATIONS. Your Board respectfully ask for certain appropriations as follows: First, that an appropriation of Fifteen Hundred Dollars ($1,500) be made for current expenses of the Theological Seminary. The Seminary expenses have been paid during the year past through help obtained by the interest received from the Endowment Fund, but as this Institution is but partially endowed recourse must be had to the usual annual appropriation, at least until renewed efforts be made to raise the endowment to an amount sufficient to pay the annual expenses.

We also ask that the usual appropriation of Five Hundred Dollars ($500) be made for the Library Funds to be divided equally between the College and the Seminary.

Twenty-fifth: ELECTION OF TRUSTEES. The term for which Messrs. John T. Morton, J. A. McAteer and Samuel McNaugher were made members of this Board will expire this year.

We therefore ask Synod at the present meeting to elect their successors to serve for three years ending June 15th, 1904. In this connection we would remind Synod that to meet the legal requirements of our charter of incorporation these elections should be by *ballot*.

Twenty-sixth: BOOKS AND ACCOUNTS AUDITED. At a recent meeting of the Board, and agreeably to a long-established custom, an auditing Committee was appointed, consisting of Messrs. A. C. Coulter, and R. J. Ward to audit the books and accounts of the Board, who report that their work has been carefully attended to and in connection therewith the usual examination of the bonds, mortgages and other securities, cash in bank and on hand, and that the same have been found correct and in agreement with the report of the Treasurer.

Twenty-seventh: DELEGATE TO SYNOD. In pursuance of your action relative to representation of this Board at Synod we report that John T. Morton, with A. C. Coulter as alternate, has been chosen to represent the Board at the present meeting of Synod.

Twenty-eighth: That no subject be overlooked requiring your consideration or the attention of such Committee as this report may be referred to, and for ready reference, we will briefly close by giving the items requiring thought and action, viz.:

I: As to the disposition of a *Gift for Foreign Missions*. See Item 18th.

II: The consideration and approval of Amendment of the *Charter of the Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association*, prepared in accordance with Synod's direction. See item 2 st.

III: Approval of sale as made of the *David Gregg Real Estate* See item 22nd.

IV: To make an appropriation for the *Theological Seminary Current Expenses*. See item 24th.

V: With reference to an appropriation for the *College and Seminary Library Fund*. See item 24th.

VI: That *three Trustees* be elected by ballot for three years ending June 15th, 1904. See item 25th

VII: *Any other instructions*, recommendations, etc, that may in the wisdom of Synod be thought desirable or be suggested by the report.

Respectfully submitted by order of the Board,

DANIEL CHESNUT, *Secretary*.

Item 2 of Report of Committee on Discipline.

A memorial from Colorado Presbytery asking for a full deliverance on the question, "Is it consistent with our principles of dissent for members of the Covenanter Church to hold office under the United States Government when the oath of office is modified so as not to bind to anything immoral in the constitution or laws, and when there is nothing immoral in the duties of the office?" In general "the position of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in regard to accepting office, the Committee understand to be, not that it is sinful in itself and wrong in all cases, but that it may become sinful either by the imposition of an immoral oath, or by involving an obligation to perform a sinful service. When either of these conditions exists the law and practice of the Church forbid the holding of Office." (Minutes of Synod, 1867, p. 227.)

The question referred to us however relates to cases in which the law specifies an oath to the Constitution and which needs to be modified so as to remove this objectionable feature. This raises two questions: (1) May such an oath be modified, and (2), being modified may it be taken by members of the Reformed Presbyterian Church? With reference to the first of these questions, while there is only a limited number of cases in which such modification can be expected, and while in these cases usage is not uniform, it is a very common practice to so change it as to render it unobjectionable in form. This was done in the case of the soldier's oath during the civil war, and it is now frequently done in the case of members of our church securing passports to travel in foreign countries, and in the case of persons chosen to the office of school director and some other offices.

When, therefore, a modified oath is accepted by the governmental officer who administers it, all difficulty so far as the form of the oath is concerned is taken out of our way, and the case becomes the same as when, in its original form, it was unobjectionable.

Furthermore, Synod has repeatedly given its sanction to such modifications. This was done in the case of the soldiers' oath, in the effort to secure a modification of the Homestead oath, and more recently in the action taken concerning the juror's oath. In this last case, Synod declared that, "If any of our members be summoned to serve on juries, it shall be the duty of such member to state in open court his determination to make God's law as we understand it the basis of all decisions involving moral considerations, and that he shall take the juror's oath, such oath being otherwise unobjectionable, only on this condition being definitely accepted by the court. In such case there shall no censure be visited on a member sitting on a jury." (Minutes of Synod, 1888, p. 283.)

In harmony therefore with numerous actions of Synod, we reply, that when the duties of the office are immoral, whatever may be the form of the oath, it may not be taken. Such an oath, however, as is described in the memorial is unobjectionable.

Respectfully submitted.

R. C. Wylie,
J. M. Faris,
Walter T. Miller,
William Steele.

Minority Report of Committee on Discipline.

On the question referred from Colorado Presbytery, "Is it consistent with our principles of dissent for members of the Covenanter Church to accept office under the United States Government when the oath of office is modified so as not to bind to anything immoral in the constitution, and when there is nothing immoral in the duties of the office," we recommend the following:—

Inasmuch as it is questionable whether those whose duty it is to administer oaths of office have any authority to modify such oaths;

And inasmuch as acceptance of office in a constitutional government is an entrance into the government and is identification and incorporation with it;

And inasmuch as the government of the United States as presently constituted is so fundamentally unscriptural as to give it the character of antagonism to Christ and His law;

And inasmuch as our dissent is against not merely the evil acts of the government but also and mainly against the government itself because of its fundamentally unscriptural character;

Therefore, we answer, that it is inconsistent with our principle of dissent to accept office in the United States Government until its fundamental character shall be brought into conformity to the law of Christ. "Come out from among them and be ye separate." "Be not unequally yoked together with unbelievers."

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES CLYDE.

CONGREGATIONS.	PASTORS.	P. O. ADDRESS.	Elders.	Deacons.	Increase in Membership.	Decrease in Membership.	Communicants.	Baptisms.	
Colorado Pres.									
Denver	T. H. Acheson	515 So. Pearl St., Denver, Colo.	3	3	4	10	48	....	1
Evans	J. M. Wylie	Evans, Colo.	5	5	9	4	80	....	2
La Junta	John K. Robb,	La Junta, Colo.	4	3	1	6*	51	....	3
Seattle	P. J. McDonald	1701 Terry Ave., Seattle, Wash	4	4	5	7	50	3‡	4
Oakland, M. S.	.....	Mrs. R. R. Johnston, Oakland, Cal.		..	....	....	12	....	5
.....	J. M. Armour	Seattle, Washington	..	..	...	....	.....	....	6
.....	J. R. W. Stevenson	Fort Sill, Oklahoma Ter.	..	..	..	....	.....	....	7
.....	J. T. Wilson	Canyon City, Colo	..	..	....	....	.....	....	8
No. of Cong's, 4	No. Ministers, 7	Totals	16	15	19	26	241	3	
Illinois Pres.									
Old Bethel	E. A. Crooks	Houston, Ill.	6	5	9	13	150	5	9
Oakdale	J. C. French	Oakdale, Ill.	7	6	12	10	186	4	10
Staunton	.....	William Francey, Staunton, Ill.	2	2	....	1	27	1	11
Bethel	D. S. Faris	Sparta, Ill.	3	3	9	5	59	....	12
Princeton	.....	J. E. Carithers, Princeton, Ind.	4	5	4	3	77	2	13
Bloomington	R. M. Blackwood	Bloomington, Ind.	5	4	3	4	109	1	14
St. Louis	M. M. Pearce	4630a Page Av., St. Louis, Mo.	4	2	9	2	37	4	15
Church Hill	E. G. Elsey	Courtersville, Ill.	4	3	....	....	80	....	16
Selma	S. Kingston, S. S. J. G. Reed	Selma, Ala. " "	*4	4	....	...	103	....	17
No. of Cong's, 9	No. Ministers, 8	Totals	39	34	46	38	828	17	
Iowa Pres.									
Chicago	.....	J. C. McCandless, 6536 Ingleside Ave.	3	3	10	10	32	1	18
Hickory Grove	.....	D. C. Nichol, Albia, Ia.	2	2	1	3	27	1	19
Hopkinton	Louis Meyer	Hopkinton, Iowa	3	5	10	4	119	1	20
Lake Reno	.....	J. L. Ewing, Glenwood, Min.	4	3	4	24	90	5	21
Morning Sun	C. D. Trumbull	Morning Sun, Iowa	5	4	14	12	158	6	22
Rehoboth	J. A. Black	Wyman, Iowa	2	4	....	6	50	....	23
Sharon	T. P. Robb	Linton, Iowa	6	5	9	6	223	12	24
Vernon	*Isaiah Faris	E. I. Dewey, Dodge's Corner, Wis	2	..	1	8	48	....	25
Washington	W. C. Allen	Washington, Iowa	4	3	3	....	62	2	26
No. of Cong's, 9	No. Ministers, 6	Totals	31	29	52	73	809	28	
Kansas Pres.									
Beulah	J. S. McGaw	Mt. Clare, Neb.	4	3	8	....	89	a 2	27
Billings	W. C. Paden, S.S.	Billings, Noble Co., O. T.	4	3		....	27	* 1	28
Clarinda	J. W. Dill	Clarinda, Ia.	6	7	15	6	189	8	29
Dennison	S. R. Wallace	Holton, Kas. (Box 197)	6	4	9	....	114	2	30
Eskridge	James McCune	Eskridge, Kas.	6	3	11	1	79	† 8	31
Hebron	W. S. Fulton	Idana, Kas.	3	4	10	8	82	5	32
Holmwood	R. A. Paden, S.S.	Mankato, Kan. R. F. D.	d4	d4	....	....	d 35	....	33
Kansas City	A. J. McFarland	3118 Campbell St., Kan. City, Mo.	3	3	6	6	51	....	34
Long Branch	J. M. Johnson	Blanchard, Iowa	6	3	9	7	120	3	35
Olathe	G. A. Edgar	Olathe, Kas.	6	6	12	11	163	*4	36
Quinter	Geo. R. McBurney, S.S.	Quinter, Kas.	4	4	3	1	38	....	37
Sterling	T. J. Allen	Sterling, Kas.	d6	d4	...	..	d 80	....	38
Superior	S. J. Johnston	Superior, Neb.	3	1	13	....	56	1	39
Tabor	.....	T. K. Tippin, Morganville, Kan.	4	3	1	5	52	8	40
Topeka	H. P. McClurkin, S.S.	912 W. 12th St., Topeka, Kas.	3	..	3	7	40	1	41
Wahoo	M. A. Gault, S.S.	Wahoo, Neb.	6	3	...	8	37	....	42
Winchester	D. H. Coulter	Winchester, Kas.	6	4	5	6	215	3	43
Cache Creek, M.S.	W. W. Cairthers	Ft. Sill, Okla, Ty	..	..	19	12	67	c27	44
.....	J. B. Dodds	Suadia, Syria	..	..	....	....	.....	....	45
.....	S. M. Stevenson	Idana, Kas.	..	..	....	....	.....	....	46
.....	J. Ralston Wylie	College Springs	..	..	....	....	.....	....	47
.....	Elmer McBurney	Oakland, Cal.	..	..	....	....	.....	....	48
.....	J. M. Littlejohn	....	..	..	....	....	.....	....	49
No. of Cong's, 17	No. Ministers, 22	Totals	77	59	124	78	1,534	73	

Colorado—* Discrepancy of 3 in last report; † One adult; ‡ Last year's report.
Illinois—* Last year's report. Iowa—* Pastor released.
Kansas—* 1 adult; ‡ 3 adults; a 2 adults; c 14 adults; d last year's report.

	Sabbath School Attendance.	Young People's Society Attendance.	CONTRIBUTIONS. Syrian Mission.	Chinese Mission.	Home Mission	Southern Mission.	Indian Mission.	Jewish Mission.	Theological Seminary.	Sustentation.	Church Erection.	National Reform.	Testimony Bearing	Aged Ministers' Fund.	Widows and Orphans' Fund.	Salary paid by Congregation.	Miscellaneous	Total.
1	150	30	32	9	20	9	18	5	....	....	21	2	2	....	....	475	302	895
2	70	38	185	19	56	31	30	7	7	14	14	20	11	8	11	720	199	1,332
3	65	15	30	....	.....	....	....	....	8	11	8	8	9	....	...	¶395	381	850
4	262	28	115	39	41	41	28	14	14	14	170	9	8	8	7	591	566	1,665
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10	200	35	122	10	26	12	28	3	5	...	21	50	6	5	5	800	289‡	1,382
11	... ..	.....	27	....	9	....	....	....	....	11	.....	10	....	....	...	300†	126	483
12	30	20	19	5	16	4	9	2	4	6	4	12	2	3	2	350	152	590
13	75	20	29	11	11	10	13	....	....	....	193	29	....	5	6	350†	247	904
14	230a	30	124	26	11	37	19	16	9	19	20	29	19	11	11	717	463	1,531
15	40	15	.....	6	8	4	4	....	4	8	3	10	4	5	3	624	190	873
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	718	145	474	96	151	83	140	40	44	61	251	297	41	37	34	3,841	1,632	7,222
18	300	14	133	....	100	22	23	8	5	10	300	8	13	5	....	.....	517	1,144
19	30	.....	14	2	4	3	4	2	3	4	3	2	4	3	3	.....	211	262
20	80	25	265	27	94	48	21	28	7	16	10	17	9	9	9	800	414	1,777
21	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.	....	....	.....	536	536
22	160	46	284	46	245	117	32	57	16	22	73	98	16	16	13	1,050	627	2,712
23	50	16	152	37	167	59	19	12	10	18	10	27	7	10	8	700	1,382	2,618
24	200	40	354	57	157	121	86	77	20	30	22	29	34	13	16	1,000	1,204	3,202
25	75	.....	114	26	19	21	17	12	5	9	8	13	17	6	6	500	180	953
26	45	25	50	7	... ..	13	5	....	2	1	.....	5	....	....	4	543	167	797
	940	166	1,366	202	789	404	189	196	68	110	426	199	100	62	59	4,593	5,238	14,001
27	110	50	11	9	5	4	5	2	3	2	4	6	4	4	2	600	273	934
28	30	.....	18	8	6	3	5	2	1	7	4	6	3	1	3	335	50	452
29	220	75	166	51	33	165	37	91	12	25	32	37	18	12	8	800	509	1,996
30	100	20	90	38	17	31	8	72	5	3	4	9	6	4	....	† 600	186	1,073
31	75	15	56	40	21	21	19	26	7	14	83	30	3	5	6	512	327	1,170
32	125	50	44	5	18	11	7	....	5	5	7	10	7	5	6	425	235	790
33	d 50	d 20	.....	....	....	....	.	....	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	.....	.. ..	.. ..
34	60	27	92	4	5	13	5	2	2	....	536	8	3	2	1	500	299	1,472
35	130	25	116	11	11	20	10	7	2	7	7	8	....	3	5	.....	661	868
36	175	20	262	59	47	110	415	24	19	34	23	80	24	9	11	851	538	2,606
37	48	25	8	5	3	5	3	2	2	2	53	7	5	1	2	150	20	268
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39	60	25	27	8	7	6	17	4	2	8	3	1	8	1	3	427	95	617
40	80	20	18	....	6	...	5	....	....	3	.....	3	3	3	2	234	497	774
41	50	.....	36	4	30	11	7	31	....	3	2	7	3	2	2	192	99	429
42	64	14	14	6	13	7	...	....	....	5	6	5	12	5	4	250	111	438
43	.... .	.....	206	52	76	92	61	14	9	39	19	38	16	9	7	900	584	2,122
44	d 75	.....	.....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....	....	.	.....	.....	.....
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49	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.	...	....	....	....	.. ..	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....
	1,564	446	1,164	300	298	499	604	277	69	157	783	255	115	66	62	6,776	4,584	16,009

Colorado—¶ salary for six months.
Illinois—a 90 mission scholars; ‡ $7 for Geneva College for six mos.
Kansas—† 3-4th time.

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Lakes Pres.									
Belle Centre	J.M. Faris, S.S.	*cor.* J. Mitchell, Belle Centre, O.	3	..	....	1	31	....	1
Bellefontaine. ...	J.M. Faris, S.S.	Bellefontaine, Ohio.....	3	..	3	4	32	1	2
Cedar Lake.....	C. McLeod Smith.	Ray, Indiana	5	4	4	3	138	*b* 4	3
Cedarville....	W. J. Sanderson..	Cedarville, Ohio.....[natti, Ohio	3	3	2	4	49	1	4
Cincinnati.....	.....	W. J. Poole, 424 Elizabeth St., Cincin-	3	4	....	..	*c* 61	....	5
Fair Grove.....	T. C. Sproull, S.S.	Fair Grove, Mich.....	3	4	1	3	50	1	6
Southfield.	J. McCracken.....	Box 221 Birmingham, Mich. ...	5	6	4	7	96	2	7
United Miami.	R. Hargrave..	Northwood, Ohio....	6	6	8	8	130	4	8
Hetherton, M. S..	.....	M. L. Roby, Hetherton, Mich...	..	..	....	....	17	..	9
No. of Cong's, 8	No. Ministers, 5	Totals.....	31	27	22	30	604	13	
N. Brunswick and Nova Scotia Pres.									
Cornwallis, N. S...	Thomas McFall...	Somerset, Nova Scotia.....	4	..	3	3	78	3	10
Saint John, N. B. .	W. T. K. Thompson	398 Main Street, St. John, N. B.	2	5	3	3	30	....	11
Barnesville, N. B.	" "	" "	3	5	1	1	35	....	12
No. of Cong's, 3	No. Ministers, 2	Totals.....	9	10	7	7	143	3	
New York Pres.									
First Boston.....	Sam'l McNaugher.	42 Dana St., Cambridge, Mass..	6	6	12	17	254	6	13
Second Boston....	J. M. Foster.....	44 S. Russell St., Boston, Mass.	3	6	4	23	101	10	14
Bovina	T. M. Slater.....	Bovina Centre, N. Y.....	5	3	....	4	76	1	15
Brooklyn	W. M. George.....	633 Madison St., B'klyn. N. Y.	5	4	4	....	53	7	16
Cambridge.....	S. G. Shaw.....	45 Antrim St., Cambridge, Mass.	3	4	13	9	79	1	17
Coldenham	Thomas Patton....	Coldenham, Orange Co., N. Y .	6	4	4	6	65	1	18
Kortright.....	.....	Wm. Orr, Stamford, N. Y.....	3	2	....	...	28	..	19
First Newburgh ..	J. W. F. Carlisle.	284 Liberty St., Newburgh, N.Y.	2	3	9	9	168	6	20
Second Newburgh	J. R. Thompson...	Newburgh, N. Y.....	3	4	6	11	185	13	21
Second New York.	R. M. Sommerville	327 W. 56th St., New York, N.Y.	8	8	21	23	278	5	22
Third New York ..	F. M. Foster.....	341 W. 29th St., New York, N.Y.	5	3	12	24	189	7	23
Fourth New York.	I A. Blackwood.	323 W. 124th St., New York, N.Y.	2	4	29	4	66	3	24
Walton	R. C. Reed.....	Walton, N. Y.....	5	6	8	8	100	7	25
West Hebron.	T. A. McElwain...	West Hebron, N Y.....	3	2	....	3	.....	....	26
White Lake	John H Pritchard	White Lake, Sullivan Co., N.Y.	3	2	3	3	52	1	27
.....	T. A. Rusk.....	74 W. 134th St., New York, N.Y.	..	..	....	....	.....	....	28
.....	A. I. Robb.....	Canton, China....	..	..	....	...	.....	....	29
.....	G. P. Raitt.....	Newburgh, N. Y.....	..	..	....	....	.....	....	30
No. of Cong's, 15	No. Ministers, 17	Totals.....	62	61	125	144	1,694	68	
Ohio Pres									
Jonathan's Creek.	J. C. Slater.....	White Cottage, Ohio.....	3	3	6	2	41	....	31
Londonderry.. ...	P. H. Wylie.	Londonderry, Ohio.....	4	..	....	3	38	....	32
Musk'm & Tomica	.....	J. Robinson, Frazeysburg, Ohio	3	..	1	....	21	1	33
New Concord.....	A. A. Samson.....	New Concord, Ohio.....	3	3	9	3	93	1	34
North Salem.....	.....	W. P. Adams, Sugar Tree, Ohio	2	..	....	....	8	1	35
Utica	....	R. A. Adams, Utica, Ohio.....	3	5	....	7	75	2	36
Mansfield. M. S....	E. F. Sherman, S S.	....	1	2	....	2	33	....	38
Middle Wheeling, M. S.	P. H. Wylie, S. S..	Jas. Orr, Roney's Point, W. Va.	1	..	....	3	12	....	38
No. of Cong's, 6	No. Ministers, 3	Totals.....	20	13	16	20	321	5	
Philadelphia Pres.									
Baltimore.	... .	J. M. Smith, 227 Chestnut Av., Baltimore	*3	..	....	.. .	....	....	39
First Phila.....	T. P. Stevenson....	1233 South 47th St., Phila.....	*4	5	7	7	180	....	40
Second Phila.....	J. C. McFeeters...	1511 Christian St., Phila.....	*5	..	....	....	266	....	41
Third Phila.	R. C. Montgomery	129 W. Susquehanna Av., Phila.	10	5	2	3	150	5	42
Conococheague M. S..	.....	James D. Kennedy, Green Castle, Pa.	1	..	..	1	16	....	43
.....	A. W. Johnson....	Northwood, Ohio.	..	..	....	...	.....	....	44
....	E. F. Sherman. ..	Hurffville, N. J..... .. .	..	..	....	....	.....	...	45
No. of Cong's, 4	No. Ministers, 5	Totals.....	23	10	9	11	612	5	

Philadelphia—* last year's Report. Lakes—*a* supplies; *b* 2 adults; *c* last year's report.

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1	30	.....	28	5	20	....	....	13	....	3	46	..	....	....	....	*a* 221	330	666
2	20	.....	26	6	17	4	....	4	....	..	5	5	6	....	....	250	74	397
3	140	35	99	20	59	19	7	8	6	15	9	53	13	7	7	700	387	1,409
4	50	25	96	29	37	28	27	80	10	18	16	29	17	6	4	600	292	1,289
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6	60	.....	.....	12	25	7	....	....	....	6	5	10	5	3	4	300	60	437
7	70	30	89	8	46	....	12	8	....	..	6	....	4	4	4	485	287	953
8	120	28	148	24	82	81	7	12	....	17	15	9	20	10	8	800	441	1,674
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	490	118	486	104	286	139	53	125	16	59	102	106	65	30	27	3,356	1,871	6,825
10	30	.....	90	2	12	2	2	17	2	2	2	1	1	2	2	323	58	518
11	25	.....	42	16	21	14	13	4	2	5	386	1	2	3	3	600	359	1,471
12	25	.....	9		4	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	200	31	244
	80	.....	141	18	37	16	15	21	4	7	388	2	3	5	5	1,123	448	2,233
13	100	65	203		.....	....	...	80	....	....	325	15	....	....	....	1,600	1,831	4,054
14	75	.....	75	12	8	18	6	13	5	....	25	150	10	7	6	1,500	1,250	3,085
15	65	19	186	48	94	21	36	106	22	44	48	35	29	10	10	656	111	1,456
16	90	30	85	36	34	27	16	44	8	36	29	32	24	8	8	833	511	1,731
17	103	46	25	16	20	18	40	75	9	7	3,858	....	....	12	....	1,300	491	5,871
18	50	.....	8	8	5	2	....	..	...	....	.....	5	2	....	....	600	253	883
19	15	.....	18	14	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	..	....	....	.....	170	202
20	130	90	360	33	28	45	40	160	....	....	175	....	....	....	....	1,500	1,100	3,441
21	100	25	136	19	35	...	....	25	....	....	.....	....	....	..	....	1,200	623	2,038
22	355	25	5,305	1098	421	435	258	202	75	1997	8,334	758	....	74	74	3,000	6,645	28,676
23	224	45	391	66	55	35	24	87	17	43	87	18	42	14	25	2,500	2,654	6,058
24	100	25	13	10	.....	....	....	....	...	....	.....	....	....	....	....	1,200	278	1,501
25	94	12	108	25	31	30	5	65	....	9	.....	6	....	7	8	800	246	1,340
26	39	20	7	5	7	7	3	6	3	5	3	3	3	2	2	350	148	554
27	30	20	7	18	17	15	7	7	4	10	5	8	9	8	8	500	160	783
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	1,570	422	6,927	1408	755	653	435	870	143	2151	12,889	1030	119	142	141	17,539	16,471	61,673
31	65	20	44	27	27	20	17	45	5	21	9	7	15	8	7	500	73	825
32	30	.....	10	5	6	5	13	3	....	6	.....	13	3	3	3	231	80	381
33	10	.....	8	2	8	4	3	1	1	3	3	2	1	2	1	124	55	218
34	60	32	86	10	46	70	9	45	3	10	202	16	7	4	3	550	266	1,327
35	.....	.....	5	5	4	5	2	3	...	2	5	1	.....	....	..	*a* 42	16	90
36	40	25	79	18	34	21	42	7	8	13	7	6	13	5	5	700	375	1,303
37	18	16	.....	3	4	....	3	..	....	....	.....	....	2	....	..	*a* 311	197	520
38	.....	.....	20	7	33	23	13	7	5	7	.....	....	12	1	4	*a* 140	30	302
	223	93	252	77	162	148	72	111	22	62	226	45	53	23	23	2,598	1,092	4,966
39	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....
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42	135	60	393	74	96	75	35	118	16	14	35	22	13	7	13	1,600	2,088	4,599
43	.....	.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	10	123
44	.....	.. ..	.....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....
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	135	60	394	75	97	76	36	119	17	15	36	23	14	8	14	1,700	2,098	4,722

Ohio—*a* supplies.

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Pittsburgh Pres.									
Allegheny	W. J. Coleman	1205 Boyle St., Allegheny, Pa	4	..	8	7	119	1	1
§Bear Run & Mahoning		Jas. Graham, Sidney, Pa	4	..	....	..	40	5	2
Rehoboth		David Wallace, Kittanning, Pa.	2	..	....	2	28	1	3
Beaver Falls	J. S. Thompson	1005 8th Av., Beaver Falls, Pa.	5	5	2	13	86	1	4
Brookl'd & Manchester		H. S. Steele, Ingleside, Pa	2	2	....	....	27	....	5
Central Allegheny	J. W. Sproull	122 E. North Ave., Allegheny	8	..	13	17	180	*a* 4	6
Centreville, M. S.	J. R. Latimer, S.S.		..	..	....	1	14	....	7
Clarksburg		Rob't Henry, Clarksburg, Pa	2	2	...	1	23	....	8
College Hill	R. H. Martin	College Hill, Beaver Falls, Pa.	7	7	21	5	88	*c* 7	9
East End	D. C. Martin	401 N. Highland Ave., Pittsb'gh	4	5	9	1	59	1	10
Geneva	H. G. Foster	Beaver Falls, Pa	8	6	17	3	135	*a* 2	11
Little Beaver	J. R. Wylie	New Galilee, Pa	6	4	1	7	80	....	12
McKeesp't & Monon'la.	B. M. Sharp	427 Penny Av., McKeesport, Pa.	3	1	5	4	61	4	13
Mercer and Adamsville	W. J. McKnight.	Mercer, Pa	5	6	1	5	77	1	14
Middletown	" " S.S.	R. J. McCracken, Shira, Pa,	3	..	2	1	19	1	15
Miller's Run	S. G. Conner	R. D. 38, Cannonsburg, Pa	3		1	...	59	....	16
New Alexandria	R. J. Gault	New Alexandria, Pa	5	2	3	3	138	*a* 3	17
New Castle	J. S. Martin	69 Oak Ave., New Castle, Pa	4	8	7	6	205	5	18
North Union	F. M. Wilson	1046 Orange St., Youngstown, O.	2		4	2	36	*d* 2	19
§Oil Creek	S. J. Crowe	405 Park Ave., Warren, Ohio.	2	3	...	....	22	2	20
§Pine Creek	A. Kilpatrick	Valencia, Pa	2	..	....	....	25	....	21
§Union	" "	"	4	4	....	....	70	2	22
§Parnassus		D. S. Gailey, Parnassus, Pa	6	3	...	9	65	1	23
Pittsburg	D. McAllister	65 Linden Ave., Allegheny, Pa.	5	5	6	9	232	7	24
§Salem		Robert Campbell, Baxter, Pa	2		....	..	21	....	25
Slippery Rock	J. R. Latimer	Rose Point, Pa	5	2	...	6	64	2	26
Wilkinsburg	R. C. Wylie	South Av., Station D, Pitts, Pa.	5		6	6	135	4	27
Youngstown	F. M. Wilson	1046 Orange St., Youngstown, O.	4	2	15	5	40	2	28
	R. C. Allen	Grove City, Pa	..	..	....	....	....	....	29
	J. R. Baird	Indiana, Pa	..	..	....	....	....	....	30
	J. F. Crozier	Beaver Falls, Pa	..	..	....	....	....	....	31
	R. J. Dodds	Mersine, Asia Minor	..	..	....	....	....	....	32
	C. A. Dodds	Latakia, Syria	..	..	....	....	....	....	33
	H. Easson	Larnaca, Cyprus	..	..	....	....	....	....	34
	J. C. K. Faris	Beaver Falls, Pa	..	..	....	....	....	....	35
	John Galbraith	Mars, Pa	..	..	....	....	....	....	36
	H. H. George	Beaver Falls, Pa	..	..	....	....	....	....	37
	R. J. George	Arch St., Allegheny, Pa	..	..	....	....	....	.. .	38
	W. P Johnston	Beaver Falls, Pa	..	..	....	....	....	....	39
	Geo. Kennedy	" "	..	..	....	....	....	....	40
	A. J. McFarland	" "	..	..	....	....	....	....	41
	J. J. McClurkin	New Alexandria, Pa	..	..	....	....	....	....	42
	J. L. McCartney	Beaver Falls, Pa	..	..	....	....	....	....	43
	R. J. McIsaac	" "	..	..	....	....	....	....	44
	J. L. Pinkerton	Waupaca, Wisconsin	..	..	....	....	....	....	45
	D. J. Shaw	New Alexandria, Pa	..	..	....	....	....	....	46
	J. S. Stewart	Latakia, Syria	..	..	....	....	....	....	47
	D. B. Willson	Buena Vista St., Allegheny, Pa.	..	..	...	....	....	....	48
	E. M. Coleman		..	..	....	....	....	....	49
	N. R. Johnson	Rose Ave., Oakland, Cal	..	..	....	....	....	....	50
No. of Cong's, 27	No. Ministers, 40	Totals	112	67	121	113	2,186	58	
Rochester Pres.									
Almonte	† P. P. Boyd, S.S.	Almonte, Ontario	4	2	5	3	57	....	51
Lisbon		Wm. Robson, Lisbon Centre, N.Y.	3	1	2	2	48	..	52
Lochell	Charles Clyde	Brodie, Ontario	3	2	...	..	32	....	53
Sterling, M. S.		Hugh Dugan, Sterling, N. Y.	1	3	....	4	26	....	54
Syracuse	G. M. Robb	204 Lafayette av., Syracuse, N.Y.	4	5	9	2	74	....	55
York	J. B. Gilmore	York, N. Y.	4	..	1	11	96	3	56
	J. M. Faris		..	..	....	....	....	....	57
	Wm. McFarland.	1505 Midland Av., Syracuse, N.Y.	..	..	....	....	....	....	58
No. of Cong's, 5	No. Ministers, 6	Totals	19	13	17	22	333	3	
Vermont Pres.									
Barnet	D. C. Faris	West Barnet, Vermont	4	3	4	3	54	2	59
Craftsbury	J. C. Taylor	East Craftsbury, Vermont.	4	1	1	2	57	1	60
Ryegate		William Bone, Boltonville, Vt	2	1	2	2	27	....	61
No. of Cong's. 3	No. Ministers, 2	Totals	10	5	7	7	132	3	

Pittsburgh—*a* 1 adult; *c* 5 adults; *d* 2 adults; * church repairs, $660; † new ch. building, $8500.
Rochester—a supplies; * and manse; † including manse; ‡ Pastor-elect. Ohio—‡ and manse.

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1	150	25	480	91	534	80	218	35	70	78	106	92	66	30	19	1,600	695	4,194
2	32	.....	49	15	27	15	46	5	5	5	400	3	32	....	5	.....	426	1,033
3	....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	15	....	....	....	.....	....	..	....	....	....	140	155
4	250	.. ...	7	5	12	2	18	19	....	. .	*y* 550	19	9	....	...	682	467	1,790
5	....	.....	21	....	.....	....	8	21	....	....	5	5	5	....	....	....	157	222
6	554	190	283	3	13	12	50	2	1	8	* 763	2	7	3	4	2,000	‡2,317	5,468
7	11	..	16	....	8	..	....	....	....	....	.....	....	5		..	60	....	89
8	.....	.....	32	....	3	....	6	....	....	....	.....	....		3	3	.....	120	167
9	165	90	107	107	17	30	18	48	3	7	6	63	2	9	3	800	962	2,182
10	82	20	81	48	40	62	72	23	9	35	135	41	23	10	23	800	1,541	2,943
11	312	.....	277	54	119	78	321	22	9	30	29	37	50	...	10	1,100	1,015	3,151
12	70	20	68	19	17	24	21	70	6	16	10	34	9	5	6	800	226	1,331
13	25	.....	49	8	88	19	23	62	4	8	112	22	21	4	3	421	533	1,377
14	40	.....	55	25	65	18	19	6	6	14	9	8	18	12	11	425	197	888
15	.....	.....	6	6	5	2	2	2	1	2	65	2	8	2	2	110	50	265
16	61	.....	303	39	157	60	107	12	9	37	665	30	24	9	9	750	458	2,669
17	131	.....	235	46	78	97	90	218	24	54	30	50	36	13	14	900	402	2,287
18	350	65	244	8	46	25	37	5	4	12	†8507	32	11	6	5	1,100	297	10,339
19	25	.....	16	....	11	19	19	19	....	5	.....	9	....	....	....	300	105	503
20	40	.....	50	....	4	20	....	..	....	....	50	...	....	....	5	150	300	579
21	25	. ...	30	1	.....	1	1	....	....	1	.. .	2	....	....	....	117	8	161
22	112	.....	3	3	26	5	42	3	1	6	130	14	5	6	3	355	168	770
23	50	25	55	39	43	27	126	28	24	87	190	30	92	14	21	900	361	2,037
24	359	106	218	340	220	70	36	65	17	27	35	313	10	37	33	2,500	2,600	6,521
25	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	...	....	....	....	...	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....
26	86	.....	58	10	8	16	30	*z*113	7	16	7	6	9	6	6	550	178	1,020
27	338	63	185	54	120	86	222	226	..	....	681	67	51	....	....	1,200	1,093	3,985
28	90	15	21	2	28	5	5	6	2	2	3	7	2	2	3	350	180	618
29	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	...	....	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....
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	210		157	63	41	59	58	21	34	25	10	29	24	12	11	986	427	1,957

Pittsburgh—*z* Jewish mission building, $90; *y* mission chapel.

Pittsburgh—§ last year's report; ‡ Congregational missions, $1,036.

PRESBYTERIES.	Congregations.	Ministers.	Elders.	Deacons.	Increase in Membership.	Decrease in Membership.	Communicants.	Baptisms.	Sabbath School Attendance.	Young People's Society Attendance.	
N. Brunswick and N. Scotia	3	2	9	10	7	7	143	3	80	.....	1
Iowa	9	6	31	29	52	73	809	28	940	166	2
Lakes	8	5	31	27	22	30	604	13	490	118	3
Kansas	17	22	77	59	124	78	1,534	73	1,564	446	4
Pittsburg	27	40	112	67	121	113	2,156	58	3,358	619	5
Ohio	6	3	20	13	16	20	321	5	223	93	6
Colorado	4	7	16	15	19	26	241	3	547	111	7
Vermont	3	2	10	5	7	7	132	3	210	.....	8
Philadelphia	4	5	23	10	9	11	612	5	135	60	9
Rochester	5	6	19	13	17	22	333	3	284	84	10
New York	15	17	62	61	125	144	1,694	68	1,570	422	11
Illinois	9	8	39	34	46	38	828	17	718	145	12
Syrian Commission	2	2	.....	.....	18	24	326	.....	370	.....	13
Totals	112	125	449	343	583	593	9,732	279	10,489	2,264	

CONTRIBUTIONS.

	Syrian Mission.	Chinese Mission.	Home Mission.	Southern Mission.	Indian Mission.	Jewish Mission.	Theological Seminary.	Sustentation.	Church Erection.	National Reform.	Testimony Bearing.	Aged Ministers' Fund.	Widows' and Orphans' Fund.	Salary Paid by Congregation.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
1	141	18	37	16	15	21	4	7	388	2	3	5	5	1,123	448	2,233
2	1,366	202	789	404	189	196	68	110	426	199	100	62	59	4 593	5,238	14,001
3	486	104	286	139	53	125	16	59	102	106	65	30	27	3,356	1,871	6,825
4	1,164	300	298	499	604	277	69	157	783	255	115	66	62	6,776	4 584	16,009
5	2,949	923	1,689	773	1,552	1,010	202	450	12,488	888	495	171	188	17,970	14,996	56,744
6	252	77	162	148	72	111	22	62	226	45	53	23	23	2,598	1,092	4,966
7	362	67	117	81	76	26	29	39	213	39	30	16	18	2,181	1,448	4,742
8	157	63	41	59	58	21	34	25	10	29	24	12	11	986	427	1,957
9	394	75	97	76	36	119	17	15	36	23	14	8	14	1,700	2.098	4,722
10	275	90	87	73	48	211	20	49	31	43	55	28	32	2,571	1,553	5,166
11	6,927	1,408	755	653	435	870	143	2,151	12,889	1,030	119	142	141	17,539	16,471	61,673
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